

Jacksonville Daily Journal.

JACKSONVILLE, ILLINOIS, FRIDAY MORNING, DECEMBER 25, 1903.

DETAILS OF B. & O. WRECK

DISASTER RESULTS IN SIX- TY-TWO DEATHS

All of the Victims Were Scalded to Death—Scene at Wreck was Awful—A Story of Courage and Heroism.

Cornellville, Pa., Dec. 24.—When daylight broke there were known to be sixty-two dead as the result of last night's wreck on the B. & O. near Dawson. These bodies filled temporary morgues in this city.

Of the bodies recovered thirty-eight have been identified and twenty-three are designated as unknown. Most of the latter are foreigners, principally Italians. With few exceptions all the dead were scalded to death. In hospitals three of the injured are expected to die any moment and five others are in a critical condition. All the dead and injured are from Pennsylvania, West Virginia and Maryland.

During the night twelve of the injured died from the effects of their terrible wounds. The train was largely used by employees of the Baltimore & Ohio, who work in Pittsburgh, and many of them were victims of the catastrophe. The scene at the wreck is awful. Cars are piled one upon other, lying sideways, and at angles where only earth supports them, while trucks are piled high upon the banks among the bushes as though thrown there by a giant hand. Fully two hundred yards from the seat of the first trouble lies the wrecked engine where the great speed carried it after it struck the wreck. Almost one hundred yards beyond the engine is the forward baggage coach lying on the slope of the bank.

A HERO.

A story of courage and heroism seldom equaled is told of Benjamin Nichols, steward on the dining car. His name is being sung with praises by railroaders and surviving passengers to day. When the accident occurred Nichols was in the dining car at the end of the train. Before the car had made its last lurch Nichols leaped and was running toward the smoker, which was reduced to a matter of twisted iron and splinters. Steam was shooting into the cars upon the struggling humanity. Taking off his coat Nichols ripped and tore the garment until it was in shreds and with this he plugged up the pipe and shut off the steam. Temporary relief had been given the sufferers, but Nichols was not done. Long before the passengers in the Pullman coaches had stepped to the ground Nichols had taken the first step in the work of rescue. Climbing through a broken window he leaped into the dark steam-filled car. Screams of injured made it confusing what to do. Picking up the first human at hand Nichols carried it out into the open. Placing the injured victim upon the frozen ground Nichols once more entered the car. By this time other rescuers had arrived. One after another were handed out until five were rescued. At this point the steward was compelled to leap to the ground, being exhausted and overcome by the heat and steam. Other employees entered the car and continued the work of rescue. They were soon re-joined by Nichols, who once more had recovered. For hours the work continued, it being difficult even with the aid of a wreck crew. Many victims were wedged between heavy timbers and it was 4 o'clock before all the injured were removed. Following the wreck thieves were detected robbing the dead and injured. Two white men and two colored men are now in the Dawson police station charged with the crimes.

CORONER INVESTIGATING.

The coroner's jury is now reviewing the remains and taking evidence as to the cause of the disaster.

Superintendent Irwin said tonight that there was absolutely no truth in the rumor that ghoulish train wreckers purposely derailed the train. "This could not have been possible," he said. "No human being could have accomplished what the accident did." Irwin declares the blame must be fastened on parties who loaded timbers on the car from which they were dropped. It was these timbers lying near the tracks that caused the wreck. They were loaded three days ago at Friendship, Md., and were billed for New Castle, Pa. The company is investigating this matter.

DEFECTIVE INDICTMENT.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Justice Pritchard of the district criminal court to day sustained a demurrer to one indictment against Former Assistant Attorney General James Tynor and Former Law Clerk Harrison J. Barrett of the postoffice department. The demurrer was sustained on the ground the first count of the indictment did not set forth that the offense was committed in the District of Columbia and that language of the other counts failed to supply the material facts.

RECOMMEND REVISION.

Paris, Dec. 24.—The Dreyfus commission to day unanimously recommended revision of the case by the criminal branch of the court of cassation. The court will assemble next month to hear the case.

"PARSIFAL" PRODUCED

The Great Musical Drama Presented at Metropolitan Opera House in New York

New York, Dec. 24.—In spite of successive legal complications, a small storm of pulp protest, and some enormous practical difficulties, Richard Wagner's sacred music drama, "Parsifal," was produced at the Metropolitan opera house this evening before an immense audience. The production takes rank not only as the most sensational event in American operatic history, but it has a world wide importance as the first public performance of the much discussed drama of Baireuth, and as a serious blow aimed at the so-called "Baireuth monopoly," which "Parsifal" by its restriction to that stage has largely created and maintained for the Wagner heirs. To give the work has meant complete rebuilding of the Metropolitan stage, purchase of the most elaborate mechanical appliances and lighting apparatus, and ransacking of musical centers of Europe to secure corps of experts for every department, competent to direct the details of the drama as it is given in Baireuth. The results as summed up in to night's performance amount to a signal triumph for Director Conried. In the opinion of every one who has made the "Parsifal Pilgrimage" to Baireuth, New York was treated to the most sumptuous mounting the work has ever received, Boston, Philadelphia, Baltimore, Washington, Chicago and other cities sent parties of enthusiasts, and almost every one well known in art, literature or music throughout the country could be met in the jostle of the lobbies and corridors.

SUIT AGAINST DOWIE

Chicago, Dec. 24.—A petition was filed in the federal court to day asking for permission to start suits against John Alexander Dowie in state courts while bankruptcy proceedings are still pending. The attorney who filed the petition and who represents a number of creditors gave as reason belief that Dowie is to leave the jurisdiction of the court Dec. 27 on a trip to Australia. Dowie's counsel will be advised and given a chance to appear in court.

WINDOW GLASS COMBINE.

Pittsburg, Dec. 24.—A charter was granted to day in New Jersey to manufacturers of window glass, a proposed combine of the principal interests in the country. The capital stock is \$1,000,000. The company has not yet been perfected, but the promoters are confident the plans will be successful.

KILLED BY ROBBERS.

Belgrade, Servia, Dec. 24.—Former State Councillor David Oves, the oldest and richest man in Belgrade, and his wife and daughter were murdered to day by three men who attempted to rob his house. Two servants were fatally wounded and others dangerously injured. One of the murderers was captured.

RAN INTO OPEN SWITCH.

Atchison, Kan., Dec. 24.—A Missouri Pacific south bound passenger train ran into an open switch near Everest early to day and collided with a freight train standing on a siding. The mail and baggage car and smoker were damaged. Two of the crew and two passengers were hurt.

ACQUITTED OF MURDER.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—Walter L. Stebbins, on trial for manslaughter in connection with the death of Walter A. Scott, was found innocent by a jury to day. Stebbins is a civil engineer and Scott was president of the Illinois Wire company. The men were office neighbors and had been on good terms until a trifling disagreement arose over some plans for a wire mill. The defense was Stebbins accidentally killed Scott during a quarrel.

CAR AND LOCOMOTIVE STATISTICS.

New York, Dec. 24.—The Railroad Gazette publishes statistics of car and locomotive building during the past year. The total number of cars built was 154,800, compared with 164,547 in 1902. This year 5,162 locomotives were built, last year 4,070. Cost of locomotives built this year is estimated at \$62,000,000.

WRECK ON WABASH.

Omaha, Dec. 24.—The Wabash fast mail which left Omaha last night at 5:55 for St. Louis collided head-on with a west bound cattle train between Mexico and Benton City early to day. One engineer was killed and several persons severely injured. Many cattle were killed. Only slight damage was done to the passenger coaches.

JURY DISAGREED.

Newton, Iowa, Dec. 24.—After thirty-six hours the Lavalier murder jury has disagreed. Lavalier was murdered a year ago and his body burned. Two juries have failed to convict Mrs. Lavalier, accused of the crime.

CUBA RECOGNIZES PANAMA.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Minister Quesada has received a cablegram informing him the Cuban government has formally recognized the republic of Panama.

M'CLELLAN TAKES OATH.

New York, Dec. 24.—Mayor-elect George B. McClellan took the oath of office to day.

ACTIVITY AND GOOD FEELLING

ARE THE SALIENT FEATURES OF TRADE

Holiday Sales Exceed Last Year in Most Markets—The Closing With Rather More Cheerful Tone.

New York, Dec. 24.—Bradstreet's review of trade says: Activity in the holiday trade with sales equal to or in excess of last year at most markets, quiet in wholesale lines, as usual at this period, with fair recorders from jobbers and exceptionally strong and active markets for speculative deals in staples, notably cotton, wheat, coffee and provisions, are salient features of the week. Other points brought out are sustained better feeling in iron and steel and exceptional ease in money at a time when disbursement preparation might be expected to lead to high rates. High prices for raw textiles are a drawback with which the cotton manufacturing trade particularly is struggling. Hides, leather and wool are stronger in tone. In industrial lines features are ending of the Colorado coal strikes and gradual downward readjustment of wages in coal, coke and iron and steel to meet changed conditions of supply and demand. The year is, however, closing in many lines with rather more cheerful tone than seemed possible some time ago. Reaffirming of bill of exchange and structural steel prices has given a more confident tone to some lines despite criticism that ruling quotations discourage new business.

Wheat, including flour, exports for the week aggregate 2,355,000 bushels, against 3,360,000 this week last year; for twenty-five weeks of the cereal year, \$3,218,000. Corn exports for the week were 316,000 bushels, against 1,503,000 a year ago; for twenty-five weeks of the cereal year, 27,715 bushels.

BUYS HOMESTEAD

Col. Bryan Has Purchased His Father's Old Home at Salem

Centerville, Dec. 24.—From the crash of political battlefields William Jennings Bryan has provided a place to which he can turn. He has bought the old homestead on Broadway in Salem. On it there stands a plain, two-story, comfortable house. Its heavier timbers were hewn by Bryan's father a half century ago and formed the log cabin in which Colonel Bryan was born. Although he called the spot home for only five years, it was his father's first home and his birthplace. He has bought it back into the family again.

Colonel Bryan long has sought possession of the house and the yard and garden that surrounds it. His desire was prompted altogether by sentiment, for he told friends here that he never had considered changing his residence from Nebraska. His ambition was gratified when Senator Charles E. Hull signed the deed that gave him possession. The transfer recorded here shows the consideration to be \$2,000. Instead of cash Colonel Bryan gave an eighty-acre farm in this vicinity.

The house on Salem's principal street has undergone many changes since Elias L. Bryan felled the trees and hewed the logs that first formed it. Weather boarding later hid the rough timbers and then a second story was added. But even in its changes it is the center of Salem's interest. It is to Salem what the tower is to London or the stock yards to Chicago—the one point to which every citizen points with important pride, the birthplace of a man who twice ran for president of the United States.

The house was built in 1853. Colonel Bryan's father the year before was married to Mariah E. Jennings, daughter of a farmer in Marion county. He took his bride to Salem and began the erection of the first home. In this house Colonel Bryan was born. Five years later the family removed their household goods to a substantial brick farm house, a mile east of the town. Here is where Colonel Bryan spent his early days.

Although the newer home was more modern Colonel Bryan, confessed that never could it hold the place in his heart accorded the house on Broadway. When his "ship came in" he was often heard to say, he would have it for his own.

OUT OF PRISON.

Jefferson City, Mo., Dec. 24.—D. V. Rieger, formerly president of the Missouri National Bank of Kansas City, who was yesterday pardoned by President Roosevelt, left the penitentiary to day upon the arrival of his wife from Washington with the pardon. Both left immediately for their home in Kansas City, where Rieger said he would begin life anew.

BRYAN IN BERLIN.

Berlin, Dec. 24.—William J. Bryan arrived here to day from St. Petersburg. He was met by Dr. Otto Ahrendt, a member of the Reichstag, one of the principal advocates of time-savings in Germany. Bryan spoke to Congressmen in night and returned to his hotel.

STEAMER WRECKED

Ran On the Rocks During a Thick Fog—Passengers Rescued by a Tug.

Norway, Conn., Dec. 24.—The steamer Erastus Corning, from New Haven to New York, during a thick fog ran on the rocks off Norfolk early to day. It is supposed the navigator lost his bearings. The vessel lies high upon the rocks, partly filled with water.

The shock of the collision and cries of the crew aroused the passengers, who rushed on deck in a panic, most of them thinly clad. One woman jumped overboard, but was rescued. During the confusion six passengers cleared away a small boat and left the steamer and have not been heard from since. Aside from the missing party all passengers reached here safely on board a tug. The passengers left soon after by train for New York. Some of them had no outer wraps and all were without baggage, the vessel having filled with water so quickly they had barely time to seize clothing and rush to the deck.

Bridgeport, Conn., Dec. 24.—A report from Green's Farms says a small boat containing six persons, who were probably passengers on the wrecked steamer Corning, landed at that point.

WASHINGTON NEWS

Washington, Dec. 24.—Secretary Root has forwarded to the house of representatives a supplemental estimate of \$2,526,000 for defenses of insular possessions of the United States.

Consul Simpson, cabling to night from Puerto Plata, San Domingo, confirms press dispatches that revolutionists have bombarded that city. The dispatch was very brief and gives no details.

Both Admiral Coghlan and Rear Admiral Glass, reporting on the result of investigation by scouts, say nothing was seen of Colombian soldiers near the borders of the isthmus.

Washington, Dec. 24.—General Reyes, special representative of Colombia to the United States, to day presented to Secretary Hay, at his house, the protest he has been preparing against the action of the United States in recognition of the new republic of Panama. Late Reyes said he expected to remain in this city until he receives Hay's answer. This paper he expects will be sent to congress soon after it convenes in January, as a resolution calls for all correspondence relating to the establishment of the republic of Panama. Reyes said he deprecated warlike talk and endeavored steadily to prevent any outbreak on the part of the people of Colombia against the United States.

SUIT AGAINST MAYOR.

Council Bluffs, Iowa, Dec. 24.—Mayor Morgan was to day cited to answer to a suit instituted in the district court to oust him from office. The suit is brought in the name of C. R. Wadsworth, an attorney, and the charges filed are: Neglect of duty in failing to suppress gambling; extortion in forcing proprietors of gambling houses to pay \$200 a month for police protection; entering into compact with gamblers, and maladministration.

ICE GORGE.

Davenport, Iowa, Dec. 24.—The gorging of ice in the Mississippi river below this city caused a rise of the river here which reduced the head of the water power at the United States arsenal at Rock Island so low as to throw 1,000 men out of work until the gorge breaks or until arrangements can be made to run the arsenal shops by steam power. Much apprehension on account of high water is felt in the city.

ARE INVESTIGATING.

Los Angeles, Cal., Dec. 24.—Relatives of Joseph and Louis Choussier, father and son, of Equality, Ill., who were shot and killed by detectives in this city a week ago while resisting arrest, are taking steps to ascertain whether or not the officers were justified in the killing. The officers asserted that they fired in self-defense and were exonerated by the coroner's jury. The district attorney is now investigating the matter.

BATTLE WITH DERVISHES.

London, Dec. 24.—The war office to day received a dispatch from Maj. Gen. Sir Charles Egerton, dated Kerit, Somaliland, saying 700 British and native troops were surprised by 2,000 dervishes near Badwein. The engagement lasted three hours. The enemy's casualties were eighty killed and one hundred wounded. The British loss was two killed, four wounded and one missing.

TO PROTECT AMERICAN INTERESTS.

Washington, Dec. 24.—At the request of the state department Secretary Moody to day sent a cablegram to Rear Admiral Sterling, commanding the Asiatic squadron, to dispatch warships to Chemulpo, Corea, to protect American interests there.

FIRE LOSSES.

Minneapolis, Dec. 24.—Fire to night destroyed the Grinnell building, 215 Nicollet avenue. Loss, \$44,000.
St. Paul, Dec. 24.—Fire tonight destroyed the building occupied by the Wallbrook furniture company, 100 De la Motte street. Loss, \$100,000.

USED HEARSEES FOR THE DEAD

NO DISORDERS AT FUNERALS IN CHICAGO

Anticipated Trouble From the Union Pickets Fails to Materialize—Grand Jury Makes a Scathing Report.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—To day for the first time in a week hearses carried dead to cemeteries in and around Chicago. The hearses were driven by non-union drivers. Although police were ordered to attend funerals if necessary and non-union drivers went armed in anticipation of opposition from union pickets no disorders occurred.

CRITICISED BY JURY.

Scathing criticisms of persons who have disturbed funeral processions in Chicago were made by the grand jury, which reported to Judge Clifford to day. The grand jury also criticised "irresponsible organizations" for creating disorder and defying the law. The report says: "We find that for several months irresponsible organizations have been creating disorder in this county, destroying property and defying the law. We have found that ordinary subpoenas and subpoenas duces tecum made 'forthwith' and issued by this court have been evaded."

"It is public report that at present in this city houses of worship and houses of mourning are made scenes of disorder by men calling themselves union pickets, and that bodies of dead are desecrated. We believe these conditions justify careful examination and we respectfully submit that the conditions we have recited be made a special subject of inquiry by the January grand jury."

FELL INTO TRAP

Man Who Had Been Demanding Money From Wealthy Men Was Arrested in Chicago.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—The source of mysterious letters demanding large sums of money which for the past six months had been received by men high in the financial world of New York and Chicago, was today traced to Leo R. Brennan, a commercial artist of Chicago, and he was arrested as he was leaving the general post office, where he had gone in answer to a decoy letter. When confronted with evidence of his wrong doing Brennan confessed to having attempted to enforce a dozen demands for sums of \$25,000 and \$50,000, and having threatened his intended victims with death should they refuse to comply with his demands for money. In his confession Brennan declared all his attempts to extort money had been futile, as he never received a dollar in answer to any of his requests.

New York, Dec. 24.—Men of whom Brennan demanded money were J. Pierpont Morgan, John D. Rockefeller, James Stillman, Andrew Carnegie. Of each of these he demanded \$50,000 in the first letters, and receiving no replies, it is said, reduced the amount to \$25,000. Among those in Chicago upon whom Brennan attempted to levy tribute were Marshall Field, R. T. Crane, J. Ogden Armour and F. G. Swift. None of the Chicago men was asked for more than \$25,000.

Brennan wrote Marshall Field under the name of William Craig. No attention was paid to the first letter, but on receipts of the second the matter was placed in the hands of detectives and a decoy letter sent to Brennan telling him the demand upon Field was acceded to. Brennan called at the registered letter department today, signed the receipt and was given a package. As he turned from the window he walked into arms of four detectives who had been watching the proceedings. He will be held to await the action of the federal authorities.

MAN WAS INSANE.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Having addressed a letter to President Roosevelt, the nature of which led secret service officers to believe the man insane, the police to day arrested German Kehl. When arrested he had on his person a loaded revolver and pair of steel knuckles. He claims to be an inventor and to have several patents pending and desired to be protected. He was pronounced insane and sent to an asylum.

MARINES LANDED.

Colon, Dec. 24.—The remainder of marines from the United States cruiser Prairie, 150, landed here today and went by train to Basobispo station.

DEATHS.

Washington, Dec. 24.—Ruth Miller Hoar, wife of Senator Hoar, of Massachusetts, died suddenly to night at her home in this city of angina pectoris.
She had been in poor health some time, but improvement in her condition was noted recently and a sudden demise caused a great shock to her family and friends. The body will be taken to Worcester for autopsy and burial. No funeral services will be held.

PRESS FEEDERS

Steal March on Typotheta by Dissolving the Incorporated Organisation.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—By dissolving the incorporated organization known as Franklin union No. 4, the striking press feeders here stole a march to day on the Chicago Typothetae, the association of employes. The press feeders, being incorporated, were liable to be sued at law. Judge Holden recently fined the union \$1,500 and damage suits are now pending for many times this amount on account of the strike, which is one of the most persistent ever fought in Chicago. If the employers could have secured judgment against the corporation they might have been able to seize \$40,000 in the union's treasury. A voluntary association the press feeders believe they are safe from damage suits, except as individuals.

LETTER FROM WOOD

New York, Dec. 24.—The Commercial Advertiser prints a letter signed by Gen. Leonard Wood and addressed to Dr. Horace Fletcher, of Yale university, in which the writer tells of his acquaintance with Edgar G. Bellair. The letter was written at Cairo May 21 last. Wood tells of Bellair's promotion from Santiago to Havana and his later transfer to China and the Philippines. Neither change was made, Wood says, at his request, directly or indirectly. Continuing, he says:

"In the Philippines Bellair was a believer in military government instead of civil and apparently wrote accordingly, and, of course, trouble with the civil government in the way of loss of friendly relations followed. After Bellair left Havana rumors about him began to be circulated. They came almost entirely from a number of men who did not like him and on investigation nothing definite was found. I heard from him very seldom. Finally someone published what purports to be a story of Bellair's past and points out that he was my particular friend, that I sent him to China, that his attitude toward the civil government was at my suggestion and that I was working to relieve Taft, etc.—conclusions false, and they are childish and silly. Who started the thing no one knows, but doubtless some of the people I had to handle without gloves during my stay in Cuba. It was farfetched and dishonest and intended to create trouble. This is the whole story."

Wood says Bellair was in no way especially intimate with him or his family.

DISFRANCHISED.

Harrisburg, Ill., Dec. 24.—Oscar Gillespie of Independence and John Maren of West End appeared before County Judge John L. Thompson to day and pleaded guilty to selling their votes at a recent election held in this (Saline) county. Judge Thompson gave them the minimum punishment, disfranchising them from voting for a period of five years, and in addition, the law of Illinois provides that their names be posted in a conspicuous place at each election held in their respective precincts. Remorse over the fact that they had violated the law so weighed on their minds, it is said, that it caused them to plead guilty and ask mercy of the court and accept the penalty.

The recent grand jury in session here returned twenty-four indictments for bootlegging in elections, but as yet the names have not been made public, and this may have had something to do with these men pleading guilty to escape arrest and costs of prosecution.

FEAR SAFETY OF PROPERTY.

Chicago, Dec. 24.—A receiver was appointed for the Cook County Democracy on petition of friends of Robert E. Burke, former city oil inspector, who declared election and installation of two sets of officers liable to cause conflict and disorder, besides endangering the club's property. Both the Powers and Burke tickets are made defendants to the suit and it is asserted both sides are using money of the organization in a manner that threatens to deplete the treasury and involve the corporation in a multiplicity of suits.

RAILROAD BLAMED.

Indianapolis, Dec. 24.—The grand jury's report on the Purdue wreck places blame for the accident on alleged lack of system and lack of co-operation in the railway company and to imperfect system of train handling. The report says no good would come from prosecution of any person connected with the railroad. It is recommended a law be passed by the next legislature providing that a baggage car shall be placed between the engine and first passenger coach and that deflection of duty shall be an offense that may charge a man with manslaughter.

RELEASED.

Watertown, Wis., Dec. 24.—William Hurd, who was arrested on suspicion of having murdered his wife and child, was released to day on his request to be arraigned. His wife and son were located alive near Fox Lake, where they still remain.

KILLED BY OFFICER.

Knoxville, Tenn., Dec. 24.—Deputy Sheriff May shot and killed Lee Lewis at Powhatan station to night. The shooting was the result of an old grudge.

RUSSIA MAY BACK DOWN

WILL CONCEDE TO JAPAN'S REQUEST.

Great Britain Reported to Have Informed the Czar Demands of Japan are Just and Expects Russia to Grant Them.

Berlin, Dec. 2.—Intimation has reached the Japanese legation here that Russia will concede Japan's requests. Inquiries as to particulars of this intimation, whether it came from Tokio or Petersburg, brought out nothing more than that a peaceful solution is now probable. The British government, it is understood from another source, has intimated to the czar Great Britain deems Japan's demands just and earnestly expects Russia will grant them.

London, Dec. 24.—The Nagasaki correspondent of the Telegraph says Japanese railways have been ordered to be prepared to transport 70,000 troops to the south. The correspondent says there are now forty warships in southern waters of Japan, the majority being fully coalled and ready for any emergency.

MUST PRESERVE HONOR

Marietta, Ga., Dec. 24.—In an interview to day regarding the Panama canal treaty, United States Senator Clay is quoted as saying that the honor of the United States must be preserved in ratifying any treaty with Panama. Speaking of balloting on the Panama treaty now before congress, Clay stated he was opposed to making it a party question and stated that rst of all he desired all facts considering the Panama secession be made public. If it is shown the United States was not responsible for recent developments concerning the relations of Panama and Columbia, then Clay said he would feel justified in voting in favor of the treaty.

HEARD FROM SON.

Portland, Ore., Dec. 24.—Rudolph McCummings, of Janesville, Wis., whose relatives, it was said, received a message from the German consul at Victoria of the effect that he was on board a sailing vessel at that place and feared he had been shanghaied, is now in Portland. McCummings states to the Associated Press that he has never been shanghaied. He says he shipped on board a German ship seven months ago, made a trip to the orient and returned to Victoria, where he left the ship. He is unable to understand why the German consul at Victoria should have sent the message to his family.

ARRESTED FOR MURDER.

St. Louis, Dec. 24.—George Schaefer was arrested in connection with the death of his father, which occurred after he had partaken of soup at the home of his son. His mother, who also partook of the soup, narrowly escaped death. It is alleged the son desired to secure money which his father had in his pocket.

FIRE AT MEMPHIS.

Memphis, Tenn., Dec. 25.—Lowenstein Brothers' department store caught fire shortly after midnight and at 2 o'clock this (Friday) morning it looks as if the store will be entirely destroyed. They carried a stock of half a million.

MAY DEVELOP OTHER MURDERS.

San Bernardino, Cal., Dec. 24.—The arrest of Miguel Antonio and Trinidad Figueroa at Bakersfield on charge of murdering Lee Gar, a Chinese, at The Needles last Sunday, may develop other tragedies. When the woman's trunk was opened the head of a man which had been severed from the body and wrapped in woman's clothing was found. Owing to decomposition of the head it is doubtful if identification is possible. The woman claimed she bought the head from an Indian.

OUT OF EMPLOYMENT.

Reading, Pa., Dec. 24.—All colonies of the Reading company shut down this evening to remain idle until Jan. 4. One hundred and seventy-five thousand men will be out of employment temporarily.

QUARREL OVER A DOG.

Providence, Ky., Dec. 24.—During a quarrel over adog Volney Rich was shot and killed and Ben Hall fatally wounded.

A Quaint Old Custom.

A quaint but almost forgotten custom was revived when the missement was being stepped in a schooner launched in Maine recently. Mr. Stone, Captain Charles Trank and Mr. Mulvaney all put new quarters on top of the keelson, so that when the heavy stick came down it closed over it for good and all. "It's so the vessel will never be without money," said Mr. Stone, smiling.

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WEATHER WISDOM

From First Parents to the Present Time—Interesting Book Issued.

"Weather, Folklore and Local Weather Signs," is the title of an interesting volume just issued at the United States weather bureau. President Edward B. Garriott is the author of the work. He asserts that "our first parents" acquired weather wisdom by observing weather sequences and noting the foreshadowing effects of certain atmospheric conditions on objects animate and inanimate." Professor Garriott quotes many learned men on the weather, including Bacon, Isaac Walton, Captain Hares and Howard. He also gives the local weather "saying" in various sections of the country. The Scriptures are called upon, also, to enlarge the work, as follows:

"When it is evening, ye say it will be fair weather, for the sky is red; and in the morning it will be foul weather to day, for the sky is red and lowering." (Matthew, xvi, 2, 3.)

Here is another authority quoted by Professor Garriott:

"When oxen or sheep collect together as if they were seeking shelter, a storm may be expected."—Apache Indians.

The movements of the feathered tribe in changes of weather are described as follows:

"If the cock goes crowing to bed, he'll certainly rise with a watery head."

"If the wild geese gang out to see, good weather there will surely be."

"When the peacock loudly bawls, soon we'll have both rain and squalls."

"The sun reveals the secrets of the sky, and who dares to give the source of light the lie?"

"The sun sets weeping in the lowly west, witnessing storms to some, woe and unrest."

"When the stars begin to luddle, the earth will soon become a puddle."

"We may assume that the knowledge acquired by our first parents," says Professor Garriott, "has communicated to their descendants and that it was handed down, with additions and amplifications, from generation to generation. We find in the earliest writings and in the Scriptures expressions of weather wisdom, many of which appear in collections of the popular weather sayings of today. Thus by assumption and deduction we know that man has ever employed inherited and acquired weather wisdom in the daily affairs of life. When flocks and herds have constituted his earthly possessions he has been prompted to lead his charges to places of safety when signs of impending storms appeared. As a navigator his interpretation of the signs of the air has, in innumerable instances, enabled him to adopt measures calculated to avert disaster to his frail craft. As an husbandman he has closely scanned the sky, the air and the earth for signs that would indicate the weather of the coming day and season.

"The wisdom thus acquired has been perpetuated in the form of trite sayings or proverbs. Many of these sayings are polished gems of weather lore, others have lost their potency by transfer to foreign lands, where dissimilar climatic conditions obtain, and a large proportion have been born of fancy and superstition."

TAX RATE.

The state tax rate was not fixed Thursday morning by the state tax commission and a recess was taken until next Tuesday. There is a question concerning the last revenue bill. It provided for the raising annually of \$5,500,000. It was based on the amount of money appropriated by the general assembly. Later the governor cut down the appropriation by vetoing a million dollars. He contends that the rate should be just enough to raise the amount left after he had made the cuts. On the other hand, it is contended that the revenue bill is mandatory and he five and a half million raised every year in the state treasury.

No public will be closed all day, this date.

A TEXAS ORDER.

One small bottle of Dr. Hall's Great Discovery, cures all kidney and bladder troubles, removes gravel, cures diabetes, semina, emissions, weak and lame backs, rheumatism and all irregularities of the kidneys and bladder in both men and women; regulates bladder troubles in children. If not sold by your druggist, it will be sent by mail on receipt of \$1. One small bottle is two months' treatment and seldom fails to perfect a cure. Dr. E. W. Hall, sole manufacturer, P. O. box 629, St. Louis, Mo. Send for testimonials. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store.

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Jacksonville, Fla., Aug. 24, 1901. I have been suffering from kidney troubles for several years and have spent hundreds of dollars with various doctors, but with no result. I was recommended to try Dr. Hall's Great Discovery. I bought a bottle and used it according to the directions and it did me more good than all the other remedies I had used. I am now perfectly cured and have no more trouble. I have purchased a number of bottles for my family and friends. I am a great believer in Dr. Hall's Great Discovery. J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store.

INDORSEMENT OF SLANG

The Kind a Harvard Educator Approves Of.

LIKES GLAD HAND, MARBLE HEART

These Expressions Professor Frederick Manley regards as strong and poetical—Suggests a Change in Story of Prodigal Son—Freak With Dew on It, Used in Defining a Pretty Girl, He Calls Beautiful.

Apply applied, some modern slang words and phrases "go," says Professor Frederick Manley of Harvard university.

The right of children to use such expressions was the subject of a talk by Mr. Manley before the Essex County Teachers' Institute in Newark, N. J., the other day, says the New York American. He said in qualification of his remarks that he did not want to be understood as indorsing the use of slang, but declared that some expressions should be leniently considered by teachers in instructing the young.

In support of his theory Professor Manley referred to slang expressions that he typified as beautiful, poetic and effective. He said he once heard a boy who was being oppressed by a dull lecture remark:

"Gee! If I don't get out of here I'll get bats in me belly."

He thought this was severely critical and definite.

The slang expression glad hand and marble heart Mr. Manley said were to him strong and poetical. He believed that if the story of the "prodigal son" had stated that the world gave him the "marble heart" and his father gave him the "glad hand" on his return professors of literature would now be expatiating on the beautiful simplicity of these expressions and referring to them as literature that is not made nowadays.

"A peach with dew on it" "Isn't that beautiful?" asked the speaker. "Yet it is the slangy way in which I once heard a boy describe a girl who had the bloom of May on her cheeks."

Mr. Manley pleaded that children might be taught the close relations between literature and life and to regard the language masterpieces not as so many lines to be studied, but as beautiful expressions describing the phases of life.

FARMER-LAWYER'S SPEECH.

Makes a Jury Laugh by His Remarks on Courtship.

Sanford Freeman, a sixty-five-year-old farmer of Cass county, Mo., being a widower, advertised for a wife. A Mrs. Mason answered it, and they became engaged. Later there was trouble, and she sued for \$25,000 for breach of promise, says a Kansas City dispatch.

Freeman had told the woman that he had \$2,000 in cash and a farm of 160 acres in Cass county, but in court, where he acted as his own lawyer, he admitted that this was untrue. On the witness stand he said, "The place for women and dogs and cats is at home."

While making his speech to the jury he stood with his overcoat on. He has a grizzled mustache and a "country" manner. He delivered himself of this quaint philosophy about women:

"If a woman has money it smooths over all her defects and failures. A woman may have a hip knocked down or two or three splint knots and spavins, but if she's got the money she looks as clean cut as a young colt. When I thought this woman had \$15,000 I told her I could come as near loving her to death as any man living, but when I found she had no money she didn't look right to me."

"As for lying to her, I excuse that on the ground that when a man wants to marry he's bound to make things look as favorable as possible. That's natural. All things are fair in courtship and honest trading. People that know me think I'm a pretty tolerable good man."

The jury laughed heartily all through Freeman's speech.

The Girl and the Sweater. Indiana schoolgirls wear sweaters to school provided they tick the garment inside the skirt, according to a decision of the school trustees at Jeffersonville. It is encouraging to see this grave educational problem grappled and solved.

The sweater has been a source of trouble and vexation to the Chicago Tribune. The sweater has been a source of trouble and vexation to the Chicago Tribune. The sweater has been a source of trouble and vexation to the Chicago Tribune.

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CHRISTMAS EXERCISES

Glad Holiday Satisfactorily Observed With Varied Programs Churches and Institutions

STATE STREET CHURCH.

At State Street church Thursday evening a delightful Christmas program was given. After the program Santa Claus appeared and distributed gifts and candy to all the young people. The program was as follows:

Processional: "Onward Christian Soldiers."
Song: "Hark the Herald Angels Sing"—Congregation.
Prayer—Dr. Morey.

Song: "There's a Song in the Air."
Recitation: "The Three Kings"—Elson Barnes.

Presentation of medals—Superintendent.
Song: "Oh, Shining Star"—Miss Lukemeyer's class.

Recitation: "While Stars of Christmas Shine"—Beatrice Robertson.
Solo: "Sing Sweetly"—Gardner Wood.

Declamation: "While Shepherds Sleep at Night"—Frances English.
Song: "Joy to the World."

GRACE CHURCH.
Christmas eve was notably observed at Grace Methodist church. A fitting program of Christmas songs and readings was presented. Later Santa Claus came forward and distributed gifts from a large tree to all the little ones. The program was as follows:

Organ solo: "Christmas March" (Merkel).
Quartet, "Jerusalem" (Parker)—Miss Shuff, Mrs. Hopper, Mr. Scott and Mr. Stevens.

Reading: "Christmas Poem"—Miss Stella Shuff.
Duet: "In the Village by the Sea" (Crawford)—Cornet, Roy Wood, baritone, Harry Wood.

"A Legend of the Christ Child" from the German, by Miss Ethel Wilder.
Violin solo: "Beiseuse, Jocelyn" (Goder)—Irene Thompson.

Reading—Miss Wyder.
Anthem: "Songs of Praise the Angels Sang" (Shelley)—Quartet.

PASSAVANT HOSPITAL.
The day was happily observed at the benevolent institution. In the chapel a beautifully decorated tree was erected and the lights shining among the foliage presented a lovely appearance while piled around it were numerous tokens for the patients.

Miss Jessica Sharpe kindly consented to sing at the services and her effort was excellent and much appreciated. Howard Brown, Miss Hazel Brown, and Miss Flora Balcke furnished several musical numbers which were also superb, and Miss Brown, with Balcke as accompanist, charmed all with several violin solos admirably rendered, and then graciously played for others in the building not able to get to the chapel. S. W. Nichols made a brief address on the day we observe and the many things connected with it, and then the presents were distributed to the patients and no one in the house was forgotten. All the nurses and persons employed in the building were then summoned to the dining room, where a large table was covered with all manner of presents for them. Here, too, no one was omitted and much merriment ensued as the various gifts were announced by the speaker of the evening. Many handsome and valuable tokens were offered by friends at home and elsewhere and the whole occasion was much enjoyed by every one present.

INSTITUTION FOR THE BLIND.
During the afternoon Mrs. Helen Jordan had a Christmas tree for the kindergarten and in the evening all were summoned to the chapel where each was generously remembered. A place no one is permitted to go unremembered and this year proved no exception to the rule and all were in full keeping with the love and good will which characterize the blessed anniversary.

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH.
The Christmas exercises at the Congregational church were held at 8 o'clock Thursday evening in the Sunday school room and the children and friends of the school were present in large numbers. The program consisted of a cantata and Santa Claus and all the children received presents from the heavily laden tree which was very prettily trimmed. The story of Santa Claus and the tree was cleverly woven into the story of the cantata and a fitting conclusion to an interesting program that was heartily entered into by the children, and which all thoroughly enjoyed, both old and young.

CENTRAL HOSPITAL.
Dr. E. L. Crouch arranged a most enjoyable program for the patients at Central hospital and the exercises were held in the auditorium of the old building Thursday evening. A program of readings and songs illustrated with stereoscopic views preceded the usual exercises and a though a departure from the old program added greatly to the enjoyment of the evening. The orchestra of the institution under the leadership of Professor Markke, which ranks as one of the best in the city rendered several excellent selections at intervals in the program. Following the program came the distribution of presents to the patients and this was much enjoyed by the arrival of Santa Claus, who the children of the hospital were drawn and a large Christmas tree, beautifully illuminated with incandescent lights made a most beautiful scene. The names of those for whom presents had been sent were called by Clerk L. F. Black and attendants distributed them to the owners. The following was the program given. The piano accompaniments for Miss Bertha Anderson and Miss Lottie Marrs were played by Mrs. Lottie Greenleaf, the orchestra playing the accompaniments for the other selections:

Selection—Orchestra.
Song: "She Rests by the Suwanee River"—Mr. Cannon.
Song: "My Old Kentucky Home"—By a quartet consisting of Misses Butler and Blackshaw, Messrs. H. Felt and L. Cannon.

Reading: "The Elephant's Revenge"—Mrs. Bauman.
Selection—Orchestra.
Song: "Hello, Central, Give Me Heaven"—Lottie Marrs.

Reading: "The Honey Stealers"—Mrs. E. L. Crouch.
Song: "The Holy City"—Miss Blackshaw.

Song: "The Little Boy in Blue"—Miss Bertha Anderson.
Medley—Orchestra.
Recitation: "In the Good Old Christmas Time"—Isabel Carriel, Margaret Clapp and Master Joel Crouch.

AT HEBRON.
Exercises appropriate to the Christmas season were held at Hebron church Thursday evening and an interesting program was carried out. The committee who had charge are deserving of great credit for the success of the entertainment. After the formal program of songs, dialogues and recitations presents for old and young were distributed from the handsomely decorated Christmas tree and the occasion was one of good cheer and sociability. The program was as follows:

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Dialogue—Annie Swain and Beat Taylor.
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Recitation, Billy in Trouble—Floy Crane.

Dialogue, Fashion—Ruth Naulty, Lena Waterfield.
Recitation, Christmas Morning—Alma Means.

Solo, Just Before Christmas—Lizzie Trahan.
Dialogue, Boarding Around—Lou Haneline, Minnie Bealman, Pansy Hopper, Besse Hopper, Robert Hopper.

AT RIGGSSTON.
A very pleasant entertainment was given Thursday night at the M. E. church at Riggsston. It was well attended and was a very successful event. There was a spirited program and afterward came a tree and treat. Jesse Gilliam received a big majority vote for popularity among the ladies.

NO RETURN PASSES.
After the first of January no drivers will be given return passes from Chicago or any other city. They can accompany their stock if they wish to do so on the way up, but will have to pay their return fare. The circulars have been received in this city to that effect and will be sent all over the state by the various roads. They consider one pass enough as the driver usually sits in the car and the rainmen attend to the stock the same as if he were not on the train, and that if any stock is injured he sues the company or damages the same as if he were not in the train himself.

PROBATE COURT.
Estate of Henry Ricks, deceased. Petition of Frances A. Ricks for guardianship. Allowed; bond \$10,000.
Estate of Margaret A. Jones, deceased. Petition of E. P. Jones for letters testamentary. Petition heard and allowed, and bond \$12,000.
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GOATS AS THRASHERS.

Picturesque Customs Practiced by New Mexico Farmers.

The many sidedness of the domestic goat as a contributor to the satisfaction of human needs is perhaps less understood than the facts warrant. The importance of the goatskin in the leather trade we all know about, and most of us have heard that goat's milk is a staple article of diet among some peoples. But it takes a trip to New Mexico, where herds of these domestic animals are an everyday feature of the landscape, to make us acquainted with the fact that goat's flesh is shipped east by the car load to do duty as mutton chops, that goat horn is a material out of which the ingenious red man loves to fashion tobacco boxes and that the live goat makes an excellent thrashing machine. In New Mexico it is quite common to see a thrashing floor upon which wheat is being thrashed out by a herd of goats.

Such thrashing floors are made in the open fields by plastering a bit of ground with adobe mud, which dries in the hot southwestern sun to the hardness of cement. Upon this the ripened sheaves are spread. The goats are then turned in and driven rapidly round and round by shouting Mexicans or Indians, the trampling of the multitudinous little hoofs gradually shattering the grain out of the heads. When all is considered beaten out the goats are given a recess, and the drivers pick up shovels and pitchforks and start in to toss the broken straw and the chaff high in the air. The wind catches the light stuff in midair and carries it away, while the grain, by reason of its weight, falls to the ground and is ready for the sack. These thrashing customs, primitive as the time of the pharaohs, form one of the most picturesque sights of agricultural life in New Mexico, that easy going land of "wait a bit," where in all the United States time is cheapest and hurry is least known.—Philadelphia Record.

Fighting a River.
Key features of the strange lands of central Asia are stranger or more celebrated than the great Annu Daria, the ancient Oxus, which has been attempting once more to change its bed. For more than two and a half centuries this river has flowed into the Aral sea, but for 400 years before that, according to ancient records, its destination was the Caspian, while it has changed its whole course in the same way yet once again within the period of which there are records remaining in the later classical authors. At the beginning of last month for the first time in several generations the Annu Daria began to break new ground again. Swollen by unusual floods, it began to drive a channel in the direction of a prosperous town which has sprung up of recent years in the neighborhood of a great bridge on the Transcaspian railway line. A thousand men have been engaged day and night for weeks past constructing dams to protect this town and keep back the river in its old bed, and the cost of the work has already amounted to many thousands of dollars.

BRANOUS CROUP.
C. W. Lynch, a prominent citizen of Winchester, Ind., writes: "My little boy had a severe attack of membranus croup and only got relief after taking Foley's Honey and Tar. He got relief after one dose and I feel that it saved the life of the boy. Refuse substitutes. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store."

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Peoria, daily 4:00 pm
Peoria, accommodation freight 11:05 am
C. & A. 6:00 am
Chicago-Peoria 1:12 pm
Chicago, ex. Sunday 5:45 am
Chicago-Peoria 5:45 pm
For Chicago 2:58 am

SOUTH AND WEST.

J. & St. L. 7:05 am
For St. Louis 3:30 pm
C. & A. 10:05 am
For Kansas City 11:47 am
For Kansas City and St. Louis 11:47 am
For Kansas City 5:45 am
For St. Louis, ex. Sunday 7:30 am
For St. Louis, ex. Sunday 4:05 pm
For Roodhouse, ex. Sunday 5:32 pm

GOING WEST.

Wabash—
For Hannibal, Quincy and Kansas City 7:04 am
For Hannibal, Quincy and Kansas City 6:59 pm
Decatur Accommodation 10:10 am
Kansas City Mail 1:43 pm

GOING EAST.

Wabash—
For Toledo 8:37 am
For Toledo 8:54 pm
Decatur Accommodation 3:30 pm
Buffalo mail 1:20 am

Time of arrival of trains:

FROM NORTH.
C. P. & St. L. 11:05 am
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C. & A. accommodation 9:45 am
FROM SOUTH.
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City and County

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Attend the Turner ball Dec. 25th.

J. H. Hickman, of Arcadia, was here on business Thursday.

Go to HENEGHAN'S for fine Xmas cigars.

T. M. Fox, of Sinclair, was in the city on business yesterday.

Ehnic for taffy.

Lewis Curtiss is spending Christmas with friends in St. Louis.

Frank Henderson, of Litterberry, was here on business Thursday.

Ask your grocer for White Lily flour.

J. C. Ewen, of Alexander, was a Thursday visitor in the city.

Adolph Meyers, of Alexander, spent Thursday in the city on business.

Ehnic's caramels.

John Petefish, of Litterberry, transacted business in the city yesterday.

J. B. Corrington, of Alexander, was in the city on business Thursday.

George Wheeler, of Sinclair, transacted business in the city Thursday.

See the beautiful pictures in Galbraith's west window; \$1.50 each.

Deputy Sheriff Sherman Hunt, of Peoria, was a Thursday visitor in the city.

Ehnic has sold tons of sweets and has plenty more of the best left.

Miss Margaret E. Richards was expected home from Springfield last evening.

Jesse Long, of Arcadia, was among the Christmas buyers in the city yesterday.

Corn, oats and ground feed at the Brook mill.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Bond are spending the day with relatives in Centralia.

Fine fowls at the poultry exhibit next week.

Henry McGhee, of Litterberry, was a Thursday business visitor in Jacksonville.

Valuable trophies have been offered for the poultry exhibit next week.

Henry Oakes, the Scott county capitalist, spent Thursday in the city on business.

Ehnic has special boxes of nice candies; best goods and prices right.

Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Stewart will spend Christmas with relatives in Springfield.

Order flour, meal and feed at Brook mill, telephone 240.

Paul Trabue expected to go to Girard yesterday for a short visit with home friends.

W. E. Baker and a party of friends went to Indianapolis Thursday to spend Christmas.

Attend poultry exhibit next week.

Dave Elliott, of Virginia, the well known horseman, spent Thursday in the city on business.

Turkey dinner 35c Xmas at the Crescent, 224 West State street.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Selby went to Springfield yesterday to spend Christmas with relatives.

Any picture in our west window \$1.50. Galbraith Furniture Co.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Scott and family are expected to day in St. Louis, the guests of Mrs. Ed Henry.

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Miss Nellie Brady, bookkeeper at the Brook mill, is spending Christmas at her home in Versailles.

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Miss Grace Dudley, of the Illinois college musical faculty, left for Chicago Thursday to spend the holidays.

Christian church cook books for sale at Phelps & Osborne's, or at 617 West College avenue.

Albert Koeneke arrived from Chicago yesterday morning and will spend the holidays in Litterberry with his sister, Mrs. Jordan.

Mr. and Mrs. I. C. Coleman and Fred Coleman are spending to day at the home of their son in Palmyra.

Mr. and Mrs. Orlando Baxter went to Windsor Thursday to spend Christmas at the home of Mrs. Baxter's parents.

Thomas Wright, the capable news gatherer for the Courier, expected to enjoy Christmas with friends in Philadelphia.

WE will be open every night until Christmas. Galbraith Furniture & Carpet Co.

Miss Erle Wilson, of Virginia, was expected last night for a visit at the home of W. H. Richards on West North street.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Busk expected to go to Vincennes, Ind., yesterday to enjoy the holidays with relatives and friends.

Mrs. O. C. Simmons and Mrs. Alexander, of Chicago, are holiday guests at the home of F. J. Andrews and family.

The infant child of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Smith, of Joy Prairie, is quite dangerously ill and will probably not recover.

Christian church cook books for sale at Phelps & Osborne's, or at 617 West College avenue.

Miss Pearl Wylder went to Vandalia yesterday to spend the holiday season with the family of John J. Brown.

James Hackett, the well known ball player of the St. Louis National league team, is spending the holiday season at his home here.

The best poultry exhibit ever held in Jacksonville will be seen for a week commencing next Tuesday.

E. S. VanAnglen expected to leave last night for Higginsville, Mo., to visit with the family of his father during the holidays.

Ehnic for ice cream.

Miss Jessica Sharpe is down from Chicago, where she is studying music under one of the leading teachers of the great metropolis.

Howe's fancy boxes of confectionery are deservedly popular; home-made and always pure and good.

Mrs. R. N. Badenoch and son, of Chicago, arrived in the city last night to spend the holidays at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Scott Russell.

Corn, oats, hay and straw in any quantity. Harrigan Bros. No. 9, either phone.

Miss Jennette Thompson was expected home Thursday night from Odessa, Mo., where she is teaching quite successfully in a college.

Miss Frances Wood, Miss Ruth Bailey and William Wood went to Summer Hill, Pike county, to spend Christmas at the home of C. B. Duncan.

Plenty of those popular fancy boxes of confectionery at moderate prices at Howe's, East State street.

The special coat department at Capps' factory presented the foreman, Mr. Muscovitz, a handsome rocker for a Christmas present and it is needless to say that the gift was fully appreciated and enjoyed by the recipient.

Every picture in Galbraith's window, worth \$2.50 to \$3.75, while they last \$1.50.

George H. Wilson and wife, of Quincy, accompanied by Mrs. Wilson's mother, Mrs. J. W. Hall, are expected to day to partake of turkey with Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Griswold.

Julian W. Hall and wife, of Peoria, will be among the number entertained.

The Western Plymouth Rock club will hold a joint exhibit with the local Poultry association next week.

E. B. Hamilton, secretary of the Chicago society of the Illinois college Alumni, has sent out notices to the members announcing a meeting of the society on the occasion of the annual banquet in February, and also giving other items of interest concerning the college.

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BOSS CURVIN
OF WAVERLY

Presented With a Christmas Token by J. and St. L. Officers and Employees

A splendid instance of the many delightful events that crown the Christmas season was the kind remembrance of the J. & St. L. officers and employees, who joined in presenting a Christmas token to Arthur Curvin, for twenty-one year section boss at Waverly, and the only employee of the road who has served it in that capacity continuously since the road was built.

Arrangements were well made in advance and it was a happy party which left Jacksonville on the Thursday morning J. & St. L. train. The schedule provided for a stop or more than the ordinary length at Waverly and the plan to have Boss Curvin at the depot had succeeded admirably.

There was not time for many preliminaries and B. F. Bond, superintendent of maintenance of way, after a neat speech, stepped forward and presented the astonished recipient with a handsome gold watch and chain, a meerschaum pipe and other tokens of affectionate regard. Father Lyon, of Franklin, had joined the party by invitation and he followed Mr. Bond with a few appropriate remarks expressed in a happy manner.

Mr. Curvin was decidedly embarrassed, but not to such an extent that he could not find words to express his sincere gratitude and after Conductor C. B. Wade had passed the cigars the train pulled away, leaving behind a merry crowd of railroad men and a section foreman whose happy frame of mind can better be imagined than described.

Mr. Curvin is known throughout the length of the line by all the employees and officials and his long years of faithful service are appreciated by management and men. The visible expression of their gratitude in the manner described was most fortunate and donors and donee are made happier by the event.

GET WISE

We start Monday morning Dec 21 with a \$300. Piano. Price the first day \$250. Every day we take off \$10 until piano is sold. The piano was not made for us, but is an old standard piano sold everywhere for \$300. Come in and see the piano. We are game. If you wait long enough you will get this piano for nothing. Watch us. C. A. Sheppard, Piano House.

"MACBETH" TO NIGHT.

A grand revival of "Macbeth," with John Griffith in the title role, will be presented at the Grand opera house on Christmas night. Handsome costumes, special scenery, electrical, mechanical and chemical effects, and a powerful supporting company all tend to make this the fashionable event of the present season. Seats now on sale.

FINE SOAPS FOR HOLIDAYS. We have many kinds from 5c to \$1 per cake. Don't overlook our store in your holiday shopping. Armstrong & Armstrong's drug store.

NO PAPER TO MORROW.

In order to permit the employees of the Journal to enjoy the national holiday there will be no paper issued to morrow. The Journal wishes all its readers and friends a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, with peace, plenty and prosperity in abundance.

NOTICE.

The regular annual meeting of the shareholders of the Ayers National bank, Jacksonville, Illinois, for the election of directors, will be held at its banking house on Jan. 12, 1904, between the hours of 10 and 4 of said day.

C. G. Rutledge, Cashier.

TO OUR FRIENDS AND PATRONS.

The closing year has been a good one for us and to all the friends who have helped make it so, and to the public in general we tender our best wishes for a merry Christmas and many returns of the occasion. We shall try harder than ever in the future to merit the esteem and patronage of all.

Tomlinson & Babb, Clothiers.

ELECTION NOTICE.

The annual election of the stockholders of the Jacksonville National bank will be held at their banking office, Tuesday, Jan. 12, 1904, for the purpose of electing nine directors to serve for the term of one year. Polls open at 10 a. m. and close at 12 noon.

J. R. Robertson, Cashier.

TRINITY CHURCH.

There will be services at Trinity Episcopal church this morning at 7 o'clock and 10:30 o'clock. At the latter service Miss Jessica Sharpe will sing a solo.

CHRISTMAS TREE.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Fanning, of 318 East North street, entertained their children and grandchildren and several friends on Christmas eve by a brilliantly lighted Christmas tree. Santa Claus made his appearance and distributed many beautiful and appropriate gifts to all. An enjoyable evening was spent by both old and young.

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to All Our Customers and Friends



FAMILY REUNION.

Mr. and Mrs. Taylor Frier and son Chauncey, Lewis Frier and U. E. Pribe, Miss Sophia Futz, of Louisiana, Mo., and Mr. and Mrs. Charles McCollister, of Springfield, arrived last night to spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ollie Parker, 223 East College avenue. Mrs. Pribe has been here some weeks, and the gathering to day is in the nature of a family reunion. This is the first time in five years that the all the members of the family have been together at one time.

NOTICE.

All claims against the city of Jacksonville must be filed in my office not later than Dec. 30, 1903, to insure prompt payment. Claims filed after the above date will lie over.

Samuel B. Stewart,
City Clerk.

CHRISTMAS AT POSTOFFICE.

The office will close at 10 o'clock a. m., and remain closed until 8:30 p. m. All mail deposited in the drop letter boxes at the postoffice will be despatched the same as on other days.

The usual morning collections and deliveries will be made; also the evening collections.

Rural service will be performed the same as usual.

E. C. Kreider, Postmaster.

CLOSED SATURDAY.

Owing to absence from the city of Mr. Johnston, the manager, Mr. Crawley, the attorney, and Miss Clark, the stenographer of the Johnston Agency, that office will not be open either Friday or Saturday, and this notice is published for the convenience of patrons and clients.

REAL ESTATE TRANSFERS.

L. Rector to W. M. Cary, e/2 lots 1 and 2, block 11, in Waverly; \$600.

L. Ball to G. M. Ball, lot 3, block 2, Woodson; \$1.

N. M. Petefish to M. C. and A. B. Petefish, lots 3 and 4 in sw 1/4, 3-10-10; \$750.

L. W. Brown to E. P. Kirby, lots 22 and 101, car shops addition; \$150.

E. W. Chambers to A. Tomb, n/2 sec., etc., 2-12-9; \$1, release deed.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES.

Rev. J. P. Preston will give a lecture on the life of Rev. Mr. Finley, the noted theologian and evangelist, at the men's meeting at 3 p. m. Sunday. Rev. Mr. Preston was a classmate of Mr. Finley and thus came to know him personally and his lecture will prove both interesting and instructive.

The Association rooms will be open all day to day.

Plans are being perfected for the forming of a world's fair club, to be organized Jan. 1, full details of which will be given later.

Hillerby, Vickery & Brady

We Wish All Our Friends a Merry Christmas.

Thankful for past favors, we ask a continuance of the same, at the

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A MERRY CHRISTMAS AND A HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL

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Many After-Christmas Bargains to be had at this store.

A. WEHL.

WISHING A MERRY CHRISTMAS TO ALL

We wish to call your attention to the fact that our stock is in such shape as to supply your demands.

**Bassett & Fairbank
Jewelers**



**Old Smoker
Little Monarch
Gold Leaf
Vaneta, 10c**

SPECIAL CASH PRICES FOR CHRISTMAS

Good prunes, lb.	\$.05
2-lb. can choice pumpkin	\$.06
2-lb. can beans or blackberries	\$.05
2-lb. can asparagus	\$.05
3-lb. can stringless beans	\$.10
3-lb. cans baked pork and beans to-meat sauce	\$.10
3-2-lb. can early June peas	\$.25
3-2-lb. cans Sweet Wrinkled peas	\$.25
3 lbs. seedless raisins	\$.25
3-2-lb. cans tomatoes 25c, 12 cans for	\$.85
1 gal. strained pumpkins	\$.20
1 gal. can fancy tomatoes	\$.20
1 gal. can peach butter	\$.20
1 gal. can pure maple syrup	1.00
1 quart can maple syrup	\$.25
English walnuts and soft shell almonds, lb.	\$.20
Fancy mixed nuts (all new), lb.	\$.20
New pecans, dates and figs	\$.20
Fancy cluster raisins, lb.	\$.20
Get the best. Chambers keeps and sells the finest Teas and Coffees in this market and sells at lowest cash prices.	

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Greetings of the Season
Thanks for Past Favors
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The Progressive
DENTIST,
West Side Square.

Santa should have those false teeth ready. It may be too late when he comes again

LIVE STOCK

**HORSES, CATTLE, MULES,
SHEEP AND HOGS**

Bought, Sold, Exchanged, Shipped and Handled Generally by J. W. Woods.

If a man wants to keep up his farm he must have live stock and to have that he must buy it right and be able to sell it at the right time also. To accomplish this there is one man, J. W. Woods, who handles all kinds of domestic animals and he will be found at his place on South Clay avenue and generally in the vicinity of the Jacksonville National bank. He has associated with him William J. Young, who makes his headquarters at the North Main street livery stable known generally as Brown's, but now owned and managed by Mr. Ogle. Mr. Young is acknowledged by all who know him to be one of the most experienced and skilled buyers of live stock in the west and his fame has gone out through the land until he is known far and near. Mr. Wood has dealt in live stock so long in this vicinity that he is well posted on just the right kind of cattle to bring here for sale and feeding purposes, and he endeavors to secure such as will be profitable to the farming community. He has handled thousands and pretty much every time he has made a sale for the first time to a man he has made a friend. Mr. Wood makes it always understood that his word is a bond on all he owns and he always makes it good, at whatever cost. He always aims to have in his lots for sale a good number of cattle and yearlings ready to feed and whoever trades with him is certain to get a good quality of service. He is an excellent judge of live stock and is the only man who pretends to handle all kinds of stock, such as horses and mules, cattle, sheep and hogs, and with his superior facilities for handling them he is prepared to offer feeders on the lowest terms. You will find, in any event, that it will pay to deal with him. If you want feeders of any description he can accommodate you. If you want stock hogs or sheep he will respond to the call. If you want to buy or sell a number of sheep or hogs you will find him just the man you have been looking for. He aims to treat all right and give none cause for complaint, and will pay best prices for horses, mules, fat cattle, sheep or hogs.

MITTS FOR THE BOYS.

All the messenger boys in the employ of the Postal Telegraph company are happy in the receipt of Christmas presents in the shape of heavy woolen gloves. The management of the Postal company take this method of expressing their appreciation of the faithful service of the boys. The gloves are of heavy woolen material and make very useful presents, as the boys are out in all kinds of weather. The following letter was received Thursday by Manager C. W. Henry and explains the gift:

"Chicago, Ill., Dec. 21, 1903.
"C. W. Henry, Manager, Jacksonville, Ill.—Dear Sir: We are sending you under separate cover a pair of woolen gloves for each of your messenger boys, which our president, Clarence H. Mackay, desires you to present to the boys on the day before Christmas with his best wishes and compliments of the season.
"If the number sent you is not sufficient to go around kindly advise us by telegraph.
"We take advantage of this opportunity also to wish you and yours and the entire office force a merry Christmas and happy and prosperous New Year. Sincerely,
"F. W. Conger, Supt."

CHRISTMAS PARTY.

Mrs. W. F. Randell delightfully entertained a number of her little friends at a Christmas tree Thursday evening. After the guests had assembled Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus came in and gave presents to all there. The remainder of the evening was spent in playing with the presents. The following were the guests: Marion De Pew, Lawrence and Edith Henderson, Robin and Marion Nesmith, Helen Campbell and Blanche Alsbaugh.

ARE GRATEFUL.

We are grateful for the liberal patronage of this holiday season and take this method of thanking our friends for the same. Although purchases were satisfactory, we still have some good lines and will make special prices on after Christmas wares.
Raybill's China Store.

An elegant turkey dinner at the Conservatory Restaurant today for only 25c.

B. F. Wooster.

Miss Harriet McClure, of Virginia, was in the city Thursday on her way to Quincy, where she will spend the holiday season with her sister, Mrs. Frances Murray and family.

At this season of colds and colds it is well to know that Foley's Kidney and Urinary Remedy, the greatest throat and lung remedy, cures quickly and prevents serious results from a cold. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store.

THE MATRIMONIAL RECORD.

HODGSON-HARRISON.

At the beautiful home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Harrison, near Sinclair, the evening of Dec. 23, the wedding of their lovely daughter, Alice Mae, to Mr. Howard E. Hodgson, of Prentice, took place. Both parties to the marriage are well and favorably known, having been born and reared in the community.

The favored company began to arrive by train early in the day and by evening the house was well filled, there having been one hundred and eighty-seven invitations issued. Everything had been artistically arranged for the occasion.

The groom was attended by his brother, W. M. Hodgson. The bride was beautifully arrayed in cream mermaid silk over white taffeta, with chiffon trimmings, and carried bride's roses and ferns. Her bridesmaid was her friend, Miss Laura E. Fox, who was dressed in white Persian lawn and pink taffeta and carried pink carnations and ferns. Promptly at 7 o'clock Miss Frances Melton, of Jacksonville, seated herself at the piano and began the beautiful strains of the wedding march from Lohengrin, when the bridal party, descending the stairway, entered the north parlor and met the pastor, Rev. Nathaniel English, who impressively spoke the words of the church service which made them husband and wife together until they are parted by death.

After receiving the hearty congratulations of their many friends, all were escorted to the dining room, where a sumptuous dinner was served, Mr. and Mrs. Harrison proving themselves the most royal entertainers.

The prevailing colors of the decorations were white and green, interspersed with pink carnations. The canopy over the bridal party was tastefully formed of white satin ribbon and smilax, with potted palms on either side.

The bride and groom were the recipients of an unusual number of valuable and useful presents, expressing the highest esteem and good wishes of their many friends. One of the pleasant things about this happy union is the fact that they will make their home right among their friends, living at the old homestead of the groom's father, Mr. John Hodgson, who has recently moved to Jacksonville. Here they will be at home to their friends after Jan. 30, 1904.

BARNHART-WINTER.

Wednesday afternoon George M. Barnhart and Miss Sarah J. Winter were married by Rev. R. F. Thrapp, of this city, at the home Charles A. Shepherd on South Main street. The wedding was a pleasant event, witnessed by a number of the friends of the contracting parties. After the ceremony and congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Barnhart took the afternoon train for St. Louis to enjoy a wedding trip, and after their return they will go to their home on a farm south of the city.

Mr. Barnhart has for some time been one of the force at the Insane hospital, and the young lady has been a member of the family of Judge T. B. Orear. Both are worthy, industrious young people and will doubtless have a successful career.

CRAFT-SERVOS.

The marriage of Mr. Elliott L. Craft and Miss Vida L. Servos was solemnized Thursday, Dec. 24, at high noon at the residence of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Servos, living four and one-half miles north of the city. Rev. Nathan English officiated. This was a quiet wedding, celebrated in the presence of the relatives of the family. The bride was attractively attired in a beautiful gown of cream silk brilliantine, trimmed with applique and ribbon. This worthy young couple expect to make their home in the city at No. 922 North Main street, after Jan. 1, 1904. Mr. Craft being in the employ of the C. P. & St. L. railroad.

BURMEISTER-GREEN.

George H. Burmeister and Miss Anna E. Green were united in marriage Thursday afternoon at 4 o'clock by Rev. R. F. Cressy at his home on West North street. John Burmeister acted as best man and Miss Olla Mann as maid of honor. The groom is an industrious farmer residing near Arcadia. The bride is favorably known and has a large circle of friends in this city. After Jan. 1, Mr. and Mrs. Burmeister will reside on the farm of D. E. Kennedy at Arcadia.

TEST-EAGEN.

At the residence of the bride's parents, on Thursday evening, Dec. 24, at 8 o'clock, Miss Ruth Eagen and Mr. M. L. Test, both of Chapin, were united in marriage. The home of the bride was handsomely decorated for the occasion. Pretty Christmas greenery, ferns and holly were very effectively used. At 8 o'clock a large company of relatives and friends had assembled. Miss Margaret Eagen, at the piano, played the bridal march from Lohengrin as the bridal party entered the parlor. The ceremony was very impressively performed by Rev. C. L. Dark, pastor of the M. P. church, during which soft strains of music were played.

The bride was beautifully gowned in white French lawn and carried bride's roses. Mr. Test's wedding march was played at the conclusion of the ceremony. After the words of hearty congratulation had been spoken an elegant luncheon was served, which was thoroughly enjoyed by the guests present. Mr. and Mrs. Test received many beautiful and useful presents which

proved the esteem in which they are held by their many friends.

There were about seventy-five guests present. Those from a distance were: Dr. and Mrs. Harry Coats, of St. Louis; Prof. D. M. Prouditt, Abingdon; Harry Dahman, St. Louis; John Guiman, Kansas City; Mrs. Buckley and Alex. Tucker, St. Louis; Miss Anna Casteen, Versailles, and Mr. and Mrs. Dahman and daughter, Edith, of Jacksonville.

The bride is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Eagen. She is an accomplished musician and a product of Chapin high school, from which she graduated two years ago. She has many personal charms and qualities that go to make a happy home.

The groom is held in high esteem by all who know him. He ranks high as an educator and has been principal of the Chapin school during the past six years. He has made a wide circle of friends in that community and is prided for his many manly qualities, zeal and integrity.

Mr. and Mrs. Test will make a short visit with relatives at Mt. Sterling and will be at home in Chapin after Jan. 4, 1904.

SCOTT-MINER.

Married, at the home of Presiding Elder Watts of the M. E. church south, in Waverly, Wednesday, Rev. Mr. Watts officiating, Miss Daisy M. Miner to Wilbert A. Scott. The bride is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Miner, residing six miles southwest of Waverly. The groom is a farmer and both are exceedingly popular young people. They will spend the holidays with the groom's parents in Granite City, after which they will reside on a farm near Waverly.

WILL BE BIG BANQUET

Many Teachers Will Help Celebrate 50th. Anniversary of Their Association.

The dinner to be given next Wednesday evening in the state arsenal by the State Teachers' association in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the association will be an affair of magnitude. Already the sale of tickets has run to six hundred and it is expected that fully eight hundred will sit down at the tables. The dinner is to be served by the ladies of the First Christian church of Springfield. There will be no difficulty in seating that number in the great building, but the lighting is a question. There are not enough lights in the room and the state plant not being in running order there is some doubt of the ability to get enough from the city plant. It will require ingenuity on the part of the ladies to prepare and serve so many. The building has no kitchens nor flues for stoves. Everything necessary to the preparation of a large dinner must be taken to the building and installed, but there is no doubt that the banquet will be served without a hitch.

Mrs. A. A. Jess is in charge and has as her advisory committee Mrs. L. H. Souther, Mrs. Jefferson, Miss Mary Coleman, Edward Anderson and Rev. Hugh Morrison. Over one hundred young ladies of the church will serve the supper and about as many ladies of the church are assisting in the preparations. The toasts to be responded to will include:

Reminiscences Then and Now—John S. Everhart, L.L. D., Chicago.
Condition of Normal School Sixty Years Ago in United States—Richard Edwards, L.L. D., Bloomington.
Reminiscences of Association in the Early Days—Edwin C. Hewett, L.L. D., Normal.
Women in Education—Mrs. Ella Young of the University of Chicago.
Teachers' Wives—President Parkinson of Carbondale Normal.
Early Impressions of the I. S. T. A.—President J. W. Cook of DeKalb Normal.
Verifying of Records—Superintendent E. A. Gastman, of Decatur.

A Petrified Hat.

About four years ago, according to the Prescott (Ariz.) Courier, Charles Erwin paid a visit to the petrified forest of Arizona and while there left a large sombrero under the natural bridge near the falls and in such a position that the water dripped on it. One side of the rim was pinned up to the crown, and therein were worked with a cord the letters "C. E." In this place the hat remained until about a month ago, when Mr. and Mrs. George Ruffner were visiting the place. Erwin gave them a description of the location of his "plant," and thither they went and found the hat. A complete petrification of the chapeau had taken place. It was absolutely stone. Mrs. Ruffner brought it home with her and now has it, regarding it as one of the choice curios of her many travels.

A Record in Titles.

The Duke of Fife holds a record. He is the only man who has ever been known to change his rank while he ate his breakfast. After the marriage ceremony had been celebrated in the private chapel of Buckingham palace, on the morning of July 27, 1890, he led his royal bride into the dining room, where the wedding breakfast was laid, as an earl. When the meal was half over the late queen, in raising her glass to the toast of the young couple, conferred a dukedom upon him, and thus as he ate he passed through two ranks of the peerage—surely the quickest promotion ever recorded.

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A Happy New Year**

Grand Opera House
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Presents the Eminent Tragedian,

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Aided by a brilliant company of legitimate players in a stupendous production of Shakespeare's immortal tragedy.

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A Tale of Enchantment in Six Acts Surpassing any and all Performances ever given in this city.

Prices—25c, 50c, 75c, \$1. Seats now on sale.

IF YOU FORGET

Somebody or a present should come from an unexpected source, remember this store will be

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Christmas
Morning.**

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DRUGGISTS.

Don't be imposed upon by taking substitutes offered for Foley's Honey and Tar. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store.

**½ Price on
Millinery**

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**½ Price on
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Slaughter in Ladies' Cloaks and Millinery. If you have delayed buying your winter Cloak or Hat, here is your opportunity Every Jacket and Trimmed Hat must go.

Just Half Price on Any Ladies' Jacket In Our House.
Read! Read!

\$5.00 Jacket now	\$2.50
\$10.00 Jacket now	\$5.00
\$12.00 Jacket now	\$6.00
\$15.00 Jacket now	\$7.50
\$16.50 Jacket now	\$8.25
\$20.00 Jacket now	\$10.00

Millinery

A fortunate opportunity. Just one-half of our former low prices to pay for your new winter hat. To close them out quick we have put them in four lots:

Lot 1	Your choice for \$1.00
Lot 2	Your choice for \$1.50
Lot 3	Your choice for \$2.00
Lot 4	Your choice for \$2.50

Underwear Bargains

Don't freeze when you can buy underwear so cheap:

Ladies' heavy fleeced vests or pants, 25c.
Ladies' extra heavy fleeced vests or pants, our regular 50c grade, cut to 40c.

Children's underwear in great variety at correspondingly low prices.
Men's extra heavy fleeced shirts or drawers, our regular 50c grade, cut to 40c.

Special prices on Blankets and Bed Comforters.

ALL WINTER GOODS MUST GO.

**Open Evenings
Until Christmas.**

William Floreth.

City and County

Miss McCully is the guest of friends in Peoria.

Robert Thompson, of Virginia, was in the city Thursday.

Miss Willie Warshaw is visiting relatives at Concord.

Ehnie's for chocolates.

Russell & Lyon's jewelry store will be open this morning.

Miss Hettie Patterson is making a brief visit in Chicago.

500 people wanted at Centenary church to night.

Mrs. Welbrook, of Peoria, is visiting friends in the city.

Carl Richards expected to enjoy the day in the state capital.

Try Ehnie, East or West State St., for best candies and nuts.

B. F. Lane has gone to Riggston to spend Christmas at his home.

Leonard O'Bingham, of St. Louis, is visiting friends in the city.

Be sure and see Santa Claus at the cantata at Centenary church to night.

Dr. C. B. Sawyer and son Clifford are visiting relatives at Clinton, Mo.

Go to HENEGHAN'S for fine Xmas cigars.

Miss Curtis, a teacher at the School for the Deaf, is visiting relatives in Waverly.

Cantata, "Santa Claus' Greetings," Centenary church, 7:30 to night.

Miss Catherine Wood went to Springfield to be the guest of relatives to day.

Miss Jessie Livingston, of Peoria, is spending Christmas with Jacksonville relatives.

Governor Yates and family are Christmas guests at the home of H. E. Wadsworth.

For 10 cents you will hear a splendid entertainment at the Centenary church to night.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bowman, of St. Louis are guests to day of Mr. and Mrs. William Talbott.

Prof. J. E. Winterbottom contemplated a visit with his brother James of Chicago for a few days.

Fancy perfume atomizers make neat presents. See the latest at Armstrong & Armstrong's drug store.

Charles VanWinkle, of Modesto, is spending Christmas with his mother on West North street.

Arthur Johnson, of Kansas City, arrived yesterday to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Johnson.

It is worth your 10 cents to hear Master Earl Ewert sing his solo at Centenary church to night.

Poultry exhibit next week.

Edward Stoddard, of Chicago, is expected to day for a visit at the home of Maj. J. A. Vickery.

Herman Weber wishes to thank all his friends for their patronage and wish them a merry Christmas.

George Hackett and wife, of Decatur, are expected here to day to visit their parents and brother.

E. M. Kreigh and wife, of Springfield, are expected here to day for a visit at the home of J. C. Pyatt.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry C. Gordon, of St. Louis, are spending Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. John Gordon.

Mr. and Mrs. John I. Chambers are guests at the home of their daughter, Mrs. Herbert McCune, in Ipava.

Puffing one of our choice weeds will delight "him" if he smokes. Pretty boxes in small sizes, 50c to \$10.00. Armstrong's drug store.

H. B. Brady and family left yesterday afternoon for St. Louis for a short visit with friends and relatives.

Frank R. Elliott, of Chicago, has arrived in the city to spend Christmas with his grandmother, Mrs. Sanders.

Dr. W. F. Short has been called to Waverly to day to officiate at the funeral of a long time friend, Mrs. Kennedy.

Poultry exhibit next week.

Marches, recitations, solos, duets, choruses, with character representations, at Centenary church to night. Admission, 10 cents.

Mr. and Mrs. Sutton, of Chicago, were expected last night for a visit at the home of Mrs. Rebecca Hocken-hull.

Christian church cook books for sale at Phelps & Osborne's, or at 617 West College avenue.

Earl P. Daniels was in the city yesterday on his way from Chicago to his home in Franklin, to spend Christmas.

Miss Fanny Scurlock has arrived in the city from Peoria to enjoy a visit at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lew H. Pratt on Webster avenue.

See the three old maids at the Centenary cantata to night.

L. Seeberger, who has just been re-elected as principal sojourner of Jacksonville Chapter, Royal Arch Masons has had this office for twenty-five years; a very unusual record.

Double enjoyment would be the result of smoking your holiday cigars if you had one of those smoking jackets which Frank Byrns is selling to day at a big reduction, until noon.

Poultry exhibit next week.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Bent and children, Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Frackelton and daughter, of Petersburg, will arrive in Jacksonville to day to visit Mrs. Julia Roberts and Miss Roberts.

\$57.55 Jacksonville to Portland, Ore. and return via THE ALTON, Jan. 6, 7, 8 and 9, 1904, good returning until Jan. 31, 1904; account of National Livestock association meeting.

The Sunday school of Brooklyn M. E. church will give a Christmas program this evening at the church.

Santa Claus will be there and the exercises will be of a very interesting character. The public is invited.

Miss Mamie P. Wright, who is teaching in the west part of the county, was in the city Thursday on her way to her home in Ashland for the winter vacation. She is a sister of the worthy local editor of the Courier and a capable teacher.

Miss Ida Moyer, of Topeka, Kan., who has been the guest of Maplewood sanatorium the past three days, returned home Thursday, accompanied by her sister, Miss Ella Moyer, who has been a patient at Maplewood for the past three months.

Miss Margaret K. Moore has returned from Carlville to spend the holidays at her home. She was accompanied by her friend, Miss Bel-den, a graduate of Oberlin college, who is also an instructor at Blackburn university.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hayden, of Peoria; D. B. Hayden, of Spokane; J. L. Hayden, of Bloomington, and Mr. and Mrs. Will Hayden, of St. Louis, are here to spend the holidays with C. L. and A. J. Hayden. It is a very happy family reunion.

If you want a good hair brush you can get it here. Bristles are long and strong and do not come out. Backs do not crack or warp or break. Prices as low as can be found, 25c to \$5.00. Armstrong & Armstrong's drug store.

ILLINOIS SOIL

SOLD AND BOUGHT AN ENTERPRISING AGENT

Money Loaned and Borrowed and a General Business Transacted by F. L. Hairgrove.

During the past few years real estate transfers have been numerous and many pieces of property, both city and farm, have changed hands. Much of this activity is due to the efforts of agents who attend strictly to their business and seek the interests of those who repose confidence in them. Among the successful agents in this city is Mr. F. L. Hairgrove, who has spent the greater part of his life in Morgan county and knows well the needs and wants of all, and is well acquainted with the quality and value of property, both in city and country. Mr. Hairgrove is a well known judge of real estate and his excellent ability to value property and secure for it its just value has led many to place their lands or lots with him for sale and they have always had reason to be satisfied with the results of his efforts.

In securing loans Mr. Hairgrove also does a considerable business and his well known acquaintance enables him to know who is good and who is not, and in this way he gets borrowers who are sound and desirable and for those who wish to get money he secures the best terms.

Whoever has money to loan or to borrow; land to buy or to sell, will do well to consult Mr. Hairgrove.

The person holding No. 61 draws the Brass bed given away by Gailbath Furniture and Carpet Company.

MEAT DISPLAY

A spirit of enterprise was shown by the proprietor of the Smith meat market on West State street and the artistic display of delicious meats is the west window, the work of Roy Smith, brought forth many favorable comments from customers and passers by. Sprigs of holly and evergreen and cranberries gave the dash of color desired and meats of all kinds sausage, lard hams ornamented in checker-board and diamonds shapes made an attractive window, indeed.

Excellent taste was shown by the young window artist who did the work.

A window display for a meat market is unusual and the novelty of the one in question showed originality.

Special inducements at the Drexel to ladies who want Christmas cigars. The best brands kept in stock there, and are sure to please.

WILL REMOVE OFFICES.

Announcement has been made at the general offices of the C. P. & St. L. road that W. G. Gridley, general manager; T. B. Gillin chief clerk, and George C. Holmes, acting purchasing agent, will positively remove their quarters from Springfield to St. Louis. The reason assigned by the general officers is that it will be advantageous for them to be in closer touch with the affairs at St. Louis during the exposition.

HOLIDAY SEASON.

One of Good Cheer and Activity—Business of the Postoffice and Express Companies Enormous.

It was a hurrying, rushing, scurrying crowd of late holiday shoppers that were on the square and business streets Thursday, and the man, woman and child without bundles was an unusual sight. The day was fair overhead and a mild temperature prevailed. Every one was in a holiday spirit and the business section was surrounded with an atmosphere of good cheer. The merchants had all they could well attend to and buying was brisk morning, afternoon and until late in the evening.

Two of the busiest centers in the city were the post office and the express offices, and here there was a receiving and sending volume of business that was nearly equal. These two departments of our transportation facilities may be termed the right and left hands of St. Nicholas. Harvey Jay, writing in the Youth's Companion says, there are 20,000 children's letters directed to the patron saint of the season that find their way into the dead letter office of the government postal department.

An instance of the business done at this season of the year says this writer is seen in New York City where at one time at one pier there can be seen a line of fourteen vans waiting to carry away 1,500 sacks of letters for distribution in New York alone. This is from one boat load of foreign mail alone. "The flow of the city's domestic mail is beyond description. There are sometimes as high as 15,000 extra sacks of mail and 4,000 extra pouches of registered mail-matter. The receipts average as high as 50,000 a day. The outgo to foreign countries is equally large, and last year one steamship took out \$616,618 in post office money orders to Europe.

"The mailbags carry the light Christmas gifts, but the toys, the things that really come down the chimney and the 'real boxes' of the season, these are carried by the express companies. There are a half a dozen of these large companies and a single delivery depot of a single company can handle as high as 45,000 parcels in a single day.

"It is hard to account for the strange fits of popularity for different gifts in different years. Last season, for instance, saw a 'run' on American rocking chairs, thousands of which were shipped abroad. The jokers of the country sent small gifts of coal to each other and loaded President Roosevelt's mail with toy bears. The mails from Germany were noisy, with 'surprise' postal cards that had flat whistles set in them so that they would squeal as they were handled by the clerks. And the post office itself, not content with delivering the Christmas greetings to other folk; sent out 2,000 cards to all the other countries of the postal union, wishing their fellow clerks a happy holiday at their work—in the true manner of that fat and smiling purveyor of Christmas gifts whose place they fill—in the proper spirit of the deputies of Santa Claus."

The Christmas tide is indeed a season fraught with activities for young and old, rich and poor.

CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

And Wishes for Many More for All.

The holiday season and the whole year have been satisfactory, which would not have been the case but for the many appreciative customers who have favored me with their trade. For this I am truly grateful and hope to keep all my old friends and make many new ones the coming year, and I shall try my best to deserve them. Wishing all a merry Christmas and a happy New Year, I am yours truly,

Frank Byrns,
Hatter and Gentlemen's
Furnishing Goods.

Turkey and fixings for dinner today for 25c at the Conservatory Lunch Room.

B. F. Wooster.

OPEN UNTIL NOON.

Ledford's Book Store will be open until noon to day. While sales have been unusually extensive, late Christmas buyers will here find a splendid display of staple articles and novelties.

POLICE NEWS.

T. Brennan was arrested by Chief Dunavan and Captain Kennedy. J. C. Woolsey was taken in for the same cause by Captain Kennedy and Policeman Preston. William Friday was arrested by Policemen Brainer and Deatherage and Al Tingle by Policeman Preston, both for drunkenness.

BIRTH RECORD

Born Thursday to Mr. and Mrs. Herman Norditt, residing on East College avenue, a daughter.

CLUB MET.

The Ladies' Art club met with Mrs. Hayden Thursday. After the usual program the club adjourned to meet next time with Mrs. Ellis Moore on Fayette street.

An Ideal Xmas Present

Globe-Wernicke
The Book Store

We wish our friends and customers a Very Merry Christmas and a Year of undimmed happiness.

BROOK & STICE



It is not how much you pay for your gift, but it is its usefulness that makes it

An Ideal Holiday Gift

You will find many such presents here at right prices. You have only to come and look for them. Our stock is choice and the variety unlimited. Buy now. Buy Here.

- FOR SISTER—A lamp, dressing table or writing desk.
- FOR MOTHER—A Buck's stove, china dinner set or rocker
- FOR FATHER—A Morris Chair, lounge and book case.
- FOR BROTHER—A smoker, desk, chair or lamp.



**Still some suitable
Xmas goods left at
LEDGERD'S.**

A Merry Christmas

F. J. WADDELL & CO.

MERRY CHRISTMAS

To our good friends, patrons and fellow citizens of Morgan and the adjoining counties, we send this greeting, A Merry Christmas to you, and may all the happiness that comes to warm the hearts and homes at this season be yours.

We want to thank you for the pleasant relations of the past year, and trust that the service we have rendered has been helpful in adding to your prosperity and the good cheer of your holiday season.

With best wishes, we are,

Yours very truly

BRADY BROS. HARDWARE COMPANY

For Christmas

You could not make a more acceptable or seaweivable Christmas gift than an Overcoat or a Suit of Clothes. A pair of trousers wouldnt make a bad remembrance. All garments from us are correctly tailored.

F. NIESON.

SELIGMAN BROS. GRAVEL SPRINGS WATER

The Purest And Most Poular.

This water is so pure it will not change color like other spring water, nor has it a foreign taste by standing long in a jar.

We also handle a full line of Coffees and Teas at reasonable prices.

We also sell sugar in a retail way at wholesale prices.



WEST BOUND.	
No. 1, daily	7:00 a. m.
No. 19, daily (except Sun- day to Camp Point)	10:40 a. m.
No. 2, daily	1:40 p. m.
No. 1, daily (except Sun- day to Keokuk)	6:50 p. m.
EAST BOUND.	
No. 3, daily	1:20 a. m.
No. 4, daily	8:20 a. m.
No. 20, daily, Decatur accommo- dation	3:10 p. m.
No. 2, daily	5:54 p. m.

CHICAGO & ALTON RY. TIME TABLE

Corrected to Sunday, Dec. 6, 1908—Subject to change without notice.
Daily, Daily except Sunday.

WEST BOUND.	
No. 10, Chicago vestibuled limited	2:58 am
No. 12, Atlantic express	6:00 am
No. 4, Chicago express	1:12 pm
No. 14, Chicago and Peoria ex.	5:18 pm
EAST BOUND.	
No. 11, Kansas City express	5:43 am
No. 13, Kansas City day express	10:06 am
No. 3, Roadhouse accommodation	5:52 pm
No. 7, K. C., Col. & Cal. limited	11:47 pm
Leave Jacksonville	6:00 am
Arrive Peoria	10:20 am
Leave Peoria	12:00 pm
Arrive Jacksonville	10:06 am
JACKSONVILLE TO ST. LOUIS	
Leave Jacksonville	11:47 pm
Arr. St. Louis	10:40 am
Leave Jacksonville	11:40 am
Arr. St. Louis	11:40 am

JACKSONVILLE & ST. L. RY.

Pass.	Pass.	Mixed.
No. 1.	No. 4.	
Leave Jacksonville	8:30 pm	7:05 am
Arr. Jacksonville	2:55 pm	7:30 am
Leave Jacksonville	4:05 pm	7:45 am
Arrive Jacksonville	4:35 pm	8:00 am
Leave Jacksonville	8:15 am	7:10 am
Arrive Jacksonville	5:27 pm	8:00 am
Leave Jacksonville	6:25 pm	8:00 am
Arrive Jacksonville	7:35 pm	8:00 am
Leave Jacksonville	9:05 pm	8:00 am
Arrive Jacksonville	9:25 pm	8:00 am

WABASH HOLIDAY RATES

For students and teachers present ing certificates the Wabash will sell round trip tickets, one and one-third fare, to all points west of Buffalo, N. Y.; Salamanca, Pittsburg, Wheeling and north of the Ohio river, includ ing Louisville, and east of and includ ing St. Louis, Hannibal, Quincy and Chicago. Tickets sold during day of school and day following. Good to return day school re-opens, but in no case later than Jan. 11, 1909.

FAITH AND FACT.

Faith is one thing and fact is an other. It sometimes takes any amount of faith to produce one fact. Year of earnest work and faith have pro duced one fact about medicine that is deserving of attention here. If peo ple who are troubled with gen eral weakness, nervousness, disor der or exposure can get a remedy that will make rich red blood from the food they eat, their return to health is assured. Good blood is the life of the body as well as the nerves. Weak, sickly, pale people who suffer with indigestion, dyspepsia, sick head ache, loss of strength and ambition having dizzy spells and always tired can be cured sound and well with Dr. Gunn's Blood and Nerve Tonic. Sold by druggists for 75c per box or three boxes for \$2. This tonic acts in a common sense way, curing disease by giving strength to resist it. Lee R. Alcott, druggist.

BETTER THAN A PLASTER.

A piece of flannel dampened with Chamberlain's Pain-Balm and bound on the affected parts is better than a plaster for a lame back and for pains in the side or chest. Pain-Balm has no superior as a liniment for the relief of rheumatism, neuralgia and muscular pain. For sale by all druggists.

REAP THE BENEFIT OF THE

Scientifically Made Glass.
In a recent lecture at Oxford Pro fessor Raphael Meldola described the rapid progress in the development of the glassmaking industry in Germany. Since the improvement of the micro scope and the telescope lay with the maker of the glass, a glassmaker, a chemist and a physician united their efforts, and the result was the now world renowned Jena glass. Glass can now be made with almost any optical properties that may be desired. The manufacture has been placed upon a strictly scientific footing.

A Pet Crow.
C. A. Creighton of Thomaston, Me., has a crow that was given him when young, and now the bird is so tame that it flies through the streets, lights on fences, hobbles into dooryards and is nearly everybody's pet. It is said that the bird will go to the school house grounds and wait for Mr. Creigh ton's boy to come out, will accompany him home and then fly down Knox street to meet Mr. Creighton when he comes to dinner.

Rhode Island's Great Oak.
Perfect in its shape, the largest oak tree in western Rhode Island, if not in the entire state, stands on what is called the old Parker place, at Greene, in the town of Coventry. It grew from an acorn and is at least 150 years old. The tree has a spread of branch of 100 feet, and its trunk is thirteen feet in circumference and from three to six feet through. The tree is believed to be good for at least half a century more.

SURE CURE FOR PILES.
Itching piles produce moisture and cause itching; this form, as well as Blind, Bleeding or Protruding Piles are cured by Dr. Bo-san-ko's Pile Remedy. Stops itching and bleeding. Absorbs tumors; 50c a jar at drug gists, or sent by mail. Treatise free. Write me about your case. Dr. Bo-san-ko, Philadelphia, Pa.

UNIVERSAL PRAISE.
When a retail druggist who sells any different kind of cough medicines gives his endorsement to any particu lar kind is, certainly strongest evi dence that the one so favored has more than ordinary merit. Mr. W. L. Seymour, an enterprising and re liable druggist of Raymond, Ill., in a letter to the manufacturers, dated July 23, 1902, says "I took the ag ency for the sale of Hart's Honey and Horehound and Re-Go Tonic Laxa tive Syrup about one year ago, have had a good sale for them and they are very popu lar. For sale by Lee P. Alcott."

Mr. H. Niemeyer, the leading drug gist at Stockton, Ill., in a letter dated Jan. 17, 1903, says: "Your Hart's Honey and Horehound gives good satisfaction." Hart's Honey and Horehound is a certain cure for Coughs, Colds, La Grippe and all throat and lung affections. Large bottles 25c, 50c and \$1.00. Sold by Lee P. Alcott.

Foley's Honey and Tar positively cures all throat and lung diseases. Refuse substitutes. For sale by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store.

Globe-Wernicke "ELASTIG" BOOKCASE.

FOR X'MAS. A USEFUL, CONVENIENT, HELPFUL, ATTRACTIVE addition by the entire family. It's a system of units and grows with your library.

Fitted with PERFECTION ROLLER-BEARING DUST-PROOF DOORS.

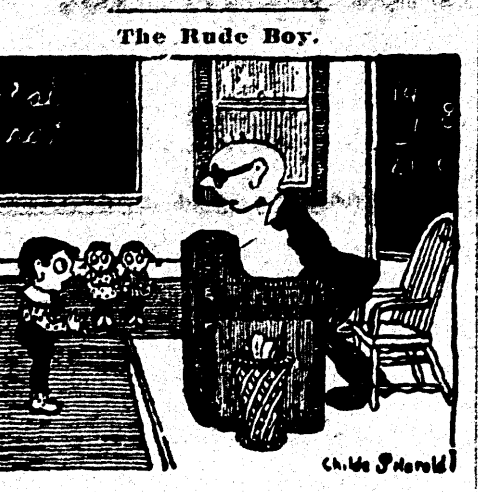
An Ideal Book-Case for the Home.

CALL OR WRITE

Galbraith Furniture & Carpet Co.

COLD WEATHER GIRLS.

It's nice to meet. In store or street. A pretty girl, whatever the weather. Her smile so sweet. Her form petite. Induce the man to wonder whether. The fabled days. Of elves and fays. Have passed or still are here among us. The illusion stays. Though many ways. Some other maiden may have strung us. But yet— 'Tis the frosty morning beauty as to which I now would speak. When each blessed, blooming maiden has a rose in either cheek.



The Rude Boy.

What Willie really lacked was tact. Or else he never would have said. That two times three was equal to. The hairs upon his teacher's head. —New York American.

One Thing to Avoid.
"Yes," said the great man, "I am going to write a book of personal recol lections. I think I am prominent enough to do that, don't you?" "Oh, yes, you're prominent enough, but I'd like to caution you about one thing." "What's that?" "For the purposes of publication don't recollect anything about promi nent men now living." "But they're just the people I want to write about. They are the kind of reminiscences that will make the book sell." "Oh, well, suit yourself, but remem ber that I warned you." "What's the danger?" "Why, just as soon as you begin to recollect things about them they will begin to recollect things about you." "I hadn't thought about that," re marked the great man.—Cincinnati Post.

No Apology Needed.
As the car struck a curve the man with a strap lurching forward and stepped clumsily on the sifter's shoe. "I beg your pardon," he said. "I didn't mean to step on your foot." "Don't apologize," replied the sifter, smiling. "It isn't mine." "Isn't yours?" asked the stander, rais ing his eyebrows. "Not yet," replied the sifter. "You see, it's wood, and I'm buying it on the installment plan."—Cincinnati Times-Star.

Less Majesty.
The two bearded monarchs met and kissed each other. "Well," observed the feline quadruped that had witnessed the performance from a safe distance, "I believe I would rather be a cat and have merely my historic privilege of looking at a king." —Chicago Tribune.

A Mean Old Thing.
"Dobley, that Canton economist, is about the stingiest on record." "What's he done now?" "Why, he had a patent dishwasher attached to his wife's elastic exercis ers, and she's had to give up physical culture in consequence."—Baltimore News.

A Severe Task.
"You should strive to appeal to the imagination and the human interest of your pupils," said the principal. "I do," answered the teacher, "but it is very hard to convince the boys that Hector and Achilles were as great men as Corbett and Jeffries."—Washington Star.

Marital Harmony.
Tipping—I'm afraid the Balkers won't get along very well together. "Frybaker—I don't see why not. They are wholly in harmony, you know. She thinks there is nobody in the world who can come up to her husband, and he is certain of it."—Boston Transcript.

One Exception.
Tommy—When you want to call a person selfish, you always say he's looking out for No. 1, don't you? Pa—Unless you're speaking of a wid ow, my son. She's always looking out for No. 2.—Philadelphia Press.

How He Felt.
"The last I heard of him he was climbing the ladder of success." "Yes, but he was trying to go up so fast that he overlooked a place where there was a rung missing."—Chicago Post.

Considerate.
Patience—You say that pianist is a kindly disposed person? Patrice—Yes, he married a deaf wo man.—Yonkers Statesman.

Flat Carliarity.
"We have decided to take up house keeping." "How high up?"—Cincinnati Com mercial Tribune.

SHORT STORIES.

Buenos Ayres proposes to erect a monument in honor of the memory of Garibaldi.

The amount of gold in the United States treasury exceeds that in the banks of Russia, Germany, Belgium and the Netherlands combined.

A Wareham (Mass.) bank official has just resigned after twenty-one years' service, during which time he has never had a vacation nor has he been absent from the bank on account of sick ness.

Truman Newton of Vergennes, Vt., has recently shingled his house, the first time it has needed it in sixty-two years. The shingles that were on it were made by his father and were put on with old fashioned nails.

A Paris paper says that "M. McClellan, the newly-elected mayor of New York, is the son of the famous Con federate general of that name." By the same token it will be remembered that Victor Hugo never forgave General Grant for hanging John Brown.

When Margaret Edgewood died at Rushville, Ind., sixty years ago, she left an estate valued at \$80,000. There was litigation between the heirs, and the other day the last fragment of the property, worth \$15,000, was turned over by order of the court to the law yers engaged in the several suits grow ing out of conflicting claims.

FOREIGN FACTS.

In Bombay and Calcutta cripples and lepers are still allowed to stand in rows in the streets begging alms.

If the present rate of slaughter be continued elk's threaten to become ex tinct in Sweden, this season's bag al ready totalling 3,000.

Something like three-fourths of the annual expenditure of the Turkish gov ernment has of recent years been for arms and munitions of war.

On the boundary between Spain and Portugal automobiles going at a fur ious speed and refusing to stop have come into use for smuggling purposes.

The Austrian emperor the other day gave a golden chain to a widow at Braunau whose twelve musical sons, after serving in the army, have formed a military family band.

Before the gambling establishments at Hamburg were closed, in 1872, the annual number of visitors was 21,000. This number fell at once to 10,000 and is at present about 12,000.

The irrigation commission appointed by Lord Curzon has unanimously recom mended the expenditure of \$20,000, 000 in damming the rivers of southern India in order to reclaim deserts and to tame the famine.

Portland, Ore., and return via THE WABASH, \$57.45, Jan. 6, 7, 8 and 9, 1909. Good to return until Jan. 31.

PLAYS AND PLAYERS.

Turkey's sultan has a theater and company of his own. Performances are given when he feels in the mood for them.

It is reported that John Hare will come to America again before long in an adaptation of Thackeray's "Pen dennis" by Paul.

The songs which Richard Mansfield has introduced into "Old Heidelberg" are the studentlieder so popular with the men of the German universities.

Jerome K. Jerome, Conan Doyle and Israel Zangwill appeared recently in London in the case of "Merely Mary Ann," when the play was given for copyright purposes.

Jennie Yeamans has filed a petition in bankruptcy with liabilities of some \$5,700 and assets about \$150 worth of clothing. Her mother, Anne Yeamans, is her greatest creditor.

Toby Claude, in collaboration with another young woman, has written a musical comedy which she has sub mitted to the Shubert Bros., with whom she has a three year contract.

WORLD'S FAIR NOTES.

A colony of live beavers will be ex hibited in the Canadian section.

A photograph of the first building erected in Nevada, an old log house sit uated in Genoa, will be exhibited in Nevada's display.

One of the most interesting exhibits in the department of identification of criminals will be the methods of trac ing, capturing, identifying and treat ing them.

The unique jewelry displays will show not only the finished article, but the appliances and processes for mak ing same, arranged in such a way that the visitor may intelligently study the details of manufacture.

A model poultry farm, showing all kinds of poultry in all conditions, from the egg to the table, will be seen. In connection with the farm a chicken restaurant will be operated. Here poultry in all forms will be served to order. The privilege will be granted the patron of catching the chicken that serves him for a meal.

A THOUSAND DOLLAR WORTH OF GOOD.

A. H. Thurmes, a well known coal operator of Buffalo, O., writes: "I have been afflicted with kidney and bladder trouble for years, passing gravel or stones with excruciating pain. I got no relief from medi cines until I began using Foley's Kidney Cure, then the result was sur prising. A few doses started the brick dust like stones and now I have no pain, no gravel, no kidney and I feel like a new man. It has done me a thousand worth of good. Sold by J. A. Obermeyer, City Drug Store."

Going West This Winter?

Whether the journey is for pleasure, business or health—for a few days or several weeks—near by, to Oklahoma or across continent to California.

It will pay you to look into the SANTA FE as the way to go. You can ride in state on the California Limited or in the more econ omical tourist sleeper on other fast trains. The service is faultless either way.

Bear in mind that the SANTA FE is the only road under one management from Chicago through to the Pacific coast. It is the Santa Fe All the Way, and that's much to say. We realize that the best advertisement is a pleased patron, and no effort will be spared to make your trip enjoyable.

This coupon is for your use:

I AM PLANNING A TRIP TO PLEASE SEND ME LITERATURE AND INFORMATION AS TO RATES, ETC.

Name.....

Street No.....

City.....

A. ANDREWS, Gen. Pass. Agt.
108 N. Fourth St., St. Louis, Mo.

HOLIDAY EXCURSION RATES.

Only one and one-third fare for the round trip via THE ALTON, Jacksonville to all points within 100 miles, but not to exceed \$3.50, and only one fare plus 50 cents to points over 100 miles, but not over 200 miles distant in Western Passenger assoc iation territory, account Christmas and New Year's holidays. Tickets sold Dec. 24, 25 and 31, and Jan. 1. Final limit, Jan. 4.

A glass or two of water taken half an hour before breakfast will usually keep the bowels regular. Harsh cathartics should be avoided. When a pur gative is needed, take Chamberlain's Stomach and Liver Tablets. They are mild and gentle in their action. For sale by all druggists.

C. P. & ST. L. CHANGE IN TIME.

Commencing Sunday, Dec. 20, the C. P. & St. L. will change time of trains arriving and departing as fol lows from Jacksonville:

No. 36, leave	7:50 a. m.
No. 35, arrive	10:55 a. m.
No. 38, leave	3:40 p. m.
No. 37, arrive	7:05 p. m.

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REAP THE BENEFIT OF THE

I. RAWLINGS CLOTHING CO. HOLIDAY GOODS!

In Gloves, Handkerchiefs, Mufflers, Neckwear, Sweaters, Fancy and White Vests, Suspenders, Fancy Shirts, Umbrellas, Hosiery, &c, &c.

Smoking Jackets at Cost. Prices from \$4.00 to \$6.00

F. A. MOSELEY, V. P.

M. H. HAVENHILL, Sec'y-Treas.

INDICATIONS.

Washington, Dec. 25.—Illinois: Fair, colder Friday, probably at night or Saturday in the north, fair in south portion, fresh west to northwest winds, becoming variable.

COUPON CONTEST.

The prize coupon drawing contest which has been so extensively advertised by the firm of Phelps & Osborn, and which has aroused the greatest interest among patrons of that well known establishment, was held Thursday evening.

From among the customers in the store three judges were selected at random and Little Gladys Wyatt was chosen to draw the coupons from the chest in which the duplicates of those issued to purchasers had been deposited. After the chest was opened the duplicate coupons were turned over and over a number of times. Little Miss Wyatt then drew a coupon numbered 12,203, and the person holding the original number of this duplicate coupon is entitled to the miniature electric railroad, which has been on exhibition in the firm's show window. The fates were again called upon to decide the second prize winner and coupon No. 4,111 was drawn, entitling the holder to doll furniture. The third coupon drawn was No. 2,963 and the fortunate holder of this original coupon will receive a beautiful doll.

FAMILY REUNION.

There will be a reunion of the members of the family of Mrs. Annie W. Parrott at her home to day on West Lafayette avenue. Those who will be here from out of the city will be Mr. and Mrs. Gettys, of St. Louis; A. H. Parrott and family, of Rushville; William H. Parrott, of Springfield, and H. Y. Parrott, of Macomb.

MERRY CHRISTMAS.

Ledford wishes all his many customers and patrons a most happy Christmas and desires to express his appreciation for the general patronage received from the holiday shoppers.

THE DEATH RECORD.

HAERLE.

Mrs. Lou Haerle died at Our Saviour's hospital Thursday afternoon at 1 o'clock after a week's illness with heart trouble. Deceased was about 30 years old and leaves her husband, Chris Haerle.

The funeral arrangements have not yet been made.

FUNERALS.

WARD.

The funeral of Miss Anna Ward was held at the Church of Our Saviour Thursday morning at 9 o'clock and a large number of sorrowing friends and relatives were present to pay the last token of respect to the memory of the departed. Father Formaz was in charge of the solemn service, which was impressively conducted.

The honorary bearers were: Miss Florence Albersson, Miss Elizabeth Coffee, Miss Annie Gause, Miss Margaret Garvin, Miss Mary Kelley and Miss Alice Topping. The active bearers were: William Hammond, Edward Cox, Henry Rustemeyer, James Crowe, Daniel Bahan, Jr., and John Buckley. There were many beautiful floral tokens and these were cared for by Misses Margaret Cox, Jennie Hammond and Myrtle Samples. Interment was in Calvary cemetery.

CHRISTMAS RAMBLER.

The enterprising Rambler board of Illinois college published a souvenir Christmas edition that is decidedly artistic. The subject is very good and there are several good stories written in crisp, terse style among the contents. The cover design is very attractive.

CARD OF THANKS.

Mr. and Mrs. Verien Daniels wish to thank their many friends for the kindnesses shown during the illness of the late Rev. C. B. Barton.

James S.

CONTRACTORS

IN HOT WATER AND STEAM FITTING

Plumbing, Gas Fitting and General Work in That Line.

In the present day and generation a house without the modern improvements is decidedly behind the times, to say the least, and as rapidly as possible they are being introduced. But improper or defective plumbing is immeasurably worse than none and should never be tolerated as it is a fruitful source of trouble in many ways, causing sickness and death. To avoid this competent, conscientious and skilled men should be employed, and such persons as George E. Mathews & Co. can be recommended. Mr. Mathews and Mr. Gause have had years of valuable experience and being constantly studying their work they are ever up with the times and adding to their stock of information. It is admitted that steam or hot water makes the best system of heating and at the same time the freest from dirt and disagreeable conditions, while disseminating a summer temperature all over the building. Many improvements in this line have recently been made and with all of them this firm is well acquainted. In the Journal office is a hot water heating plant which is wonderfully satisfactory and is open to inspection. Any person desiring to know more of this enterprising firm will find the place of business by both 'phones,' or by calling at 225 East State street. They refer to the numerous patrons of past years and the following of the present:

Illinois School for the Deaf—Complete new boiler and heating plant.
Illinois college—New central heating plant.
Morgan county jail—Heating and plumbing.
Lafayette school—Plumbing.
Journal company—Hot water heating plant.
Tomlinson, Wadsworth and McDonald buildings—New heating plant.
Dr. J. W. Hairgrove—Heating.
Centenary church—New boiler.
Mrs. Smith—Plumbing.
O. Weisenberg—Plumbing, sewer, chandeliers, etc.
George W. Dye—Plumbing.
Paul Alexander—Plumbing.
H. D. Atkins—Plumbing.
Dunlap house—New both rooms.
William Neat's buildings, Winchester, Ill.—New heating plant.
Courier building—New boiler.
F. G. Farrell & Co., bank building—Plumbing and heating.
D. D. Thomas—Plumbing.
Warren Coultas, Winchester, Ill.—Plumbing.
Illinois Woman's college—Heating frame dwelling.
H. H. Shirding, Petersburg, Ill.—Heating plant.

City and County

Mrs. J. Bert McClure, of Virginia, is spending Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Mayer.
Miss Mary Tanner, who has spent the fall months in music study in New York city, has returned home.
John H. Wells, who was recently married, was presented a handsome present by employees of the coat shop of Capps' factory.

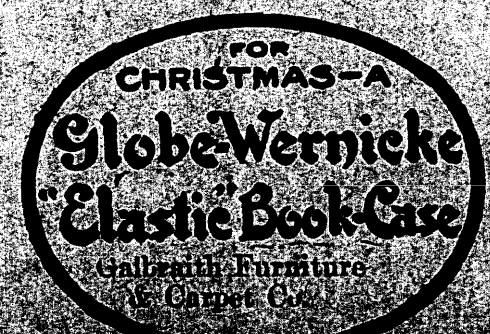
"An Episode of the Old South," a Christmas sketch from the pen of George W. Davis, one of the local editors of the Courier, is the title of a copyrighted story that appeared in the issue of the Courier Thursday. It is a clever sketch of an incident in southern life as witnessed by a northern visitor and is well told.

Hard Winter in London.

A reporter of the Salvation Army's Social Gazette, London, predicts an extremely hard winter for the unemployed in that city. The reporter appeared in reply to a number of "help wanted" advertisements and found crowds of applicants. For two places as carpenters at \$3.87 a week 110 men applied; for a clerk's situation at \$6.25 appeared eighty-seven men. Fifty-one waited in the rain for a liftman's berth and sixty for a stoker's at a salary of \$6.25, with long hours, while 150 men of all ages between twenty and fifty, some dressed in frock coats and silk hats, applied for a post as a warehouse porter at \$5.10 a week.

Fancy Sheet Pad of a Marchioness.

The young Marchioness of Dufferin and Alva, the daughter of John H. Davis of New York, has a most unusual pad for extraordinary and costly sheets, says a London cable dispatch to the New York World. The marchioness has sheets of every description from every country in Europe and has designed a new pattern herself. These sheets are made of lace and edged with ermine and are very costly affairs.



SUITS FILED

Mr. Worthington Will Seek Enforcement of Railroad Safety Appliance Law

Eighteen suits have been instituted in the United States district court in Springfield against the Terminal association of St. Louis, which operates trains across the Eads bridge, for violation of the act of 1893 in regard to safety appliances on engines and cars. District Attorney Thomas Worthington, who has brought the suits, said in discussing his action, "The sacrifice of life has been something appalling and the federal authorities are going to try to stop it." The intention of the law under which the suits are brought is to compel all railroad corporations to equip their engines with power driving wheel brakes and appliances for operating the train brake system and provides that not less than 50 per cent of the cars in every train shall have their brakes used and operated by the engineer of the locomotive drawing the train. It also provides that no car shall be hauled or used on any line of railroad engaged in interstate commerce which is not equipped with couplers coupling automatically by impact and which can be uncoupled without the necessity of men going in between the ends of the cars. It further provides that it shall be unlawful for any railroad company so engaged in interstate commerce to use any car which has not been provided with secure grabirons or hand holds on the sides and ends of each car for the greater security of the men in coupling the cars. Some of the cases are under each of the above provisions. The law in regard to safety appliances applying to roads engaged in the interstate commerce was enacted in 1893, and originally provides that it should be enforced after Jan. 1, 1898. This time has been extended to Sept. 1, 1903, and the law is now in full force. These are the first prosecutions undertaken under this act and it is proposed to enforce the law impartially. The preliminary report of the interstate commerce commission just issued shows that during the past year 321 passengers and 3,233 railroad employees were killed and 6,973 passengers and 39,004 employees injured in the railroad traffic of the United States. This showing is not a good advertisement for the methods of administration of the railroad companies and it is the duty of the authorities to inquire into the reasons for this great mortality. Mr. Worthington has begun with the Terminal association, which is engaged purely in interstate traffic, and comes under the provisions of the federal law. The outcome of the cases will be watched with much interest.

FUNERAL NOTICE.

The funeral of William Ratcliffe will be conducted this morning at 11:30 o'clock at the home, 864 North Main street. The remains will be taken to Naples.

A Merry Christmas

Accept our best wishes that this Christmas may be for you even more enjoyable than those that have passed—That jolity, mirth and happiness may be yours. Christmas is the season for remembrances. May you be remembered by many—May you remember many—and among those whom you remember we modestly beg to be remembered.

Seeberger & Bro.

Useful Christmas Presents

An ideal Christmas present is one that pleases and at the same time is useful. We believe that an ideal present is a nice pair of shoes or slippers. This is a good idea, think over it.

House Slippers

The most exclusive styles and patterns in nice new house slippers. We have what you want in prices that will suit you.

Dandy Shining Outfit

Make some of your friends glad with a shining outfit. It fastens to the wall, always handy and clean. Price \$1.00.

HOPPER & SON, South Side Shoe Men

Montgomery & Deppe's Trade Palace

Umbrellas for Christmas Gifts

Everything in Umbrellas. Men's and Ladies black and colors, 98c, \$3.50 and \$5.00. Three special numbers

Silk waist patterns in the newest novelties. Extra fine lineus. Heavy German Damask, with napkins to match, \$1.50 per yd. Napkins \$5 doz.

Cravanette Raincoats \$10.00 and upward.

All linen Handkerchiefs, dainty embroidered borders 15c and 25c.

Kid Gloves are always acceptable.

Montgomery & Deppe.

We are very grateful to the patrons of our store for their liberal treatment, and wish to extend the season's greetings to one and all. A Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to every resident of Morgan county.

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